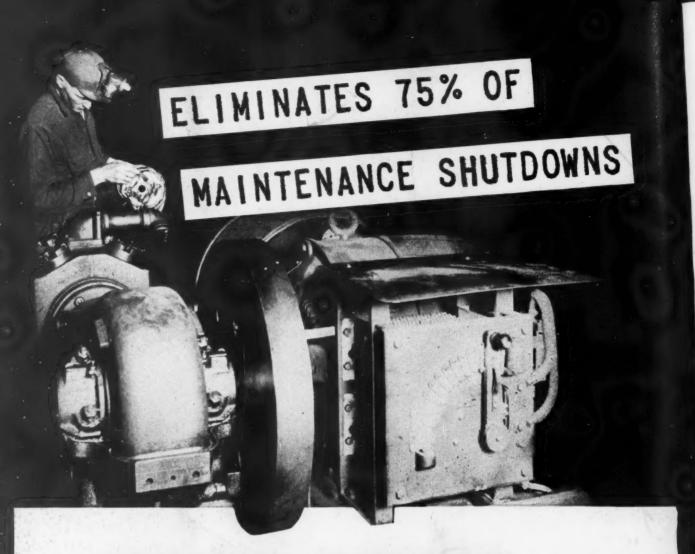
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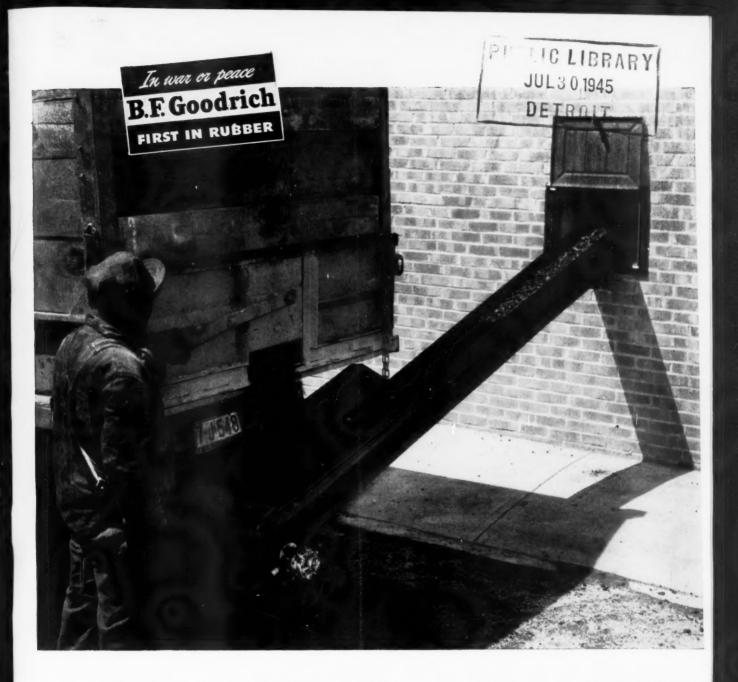
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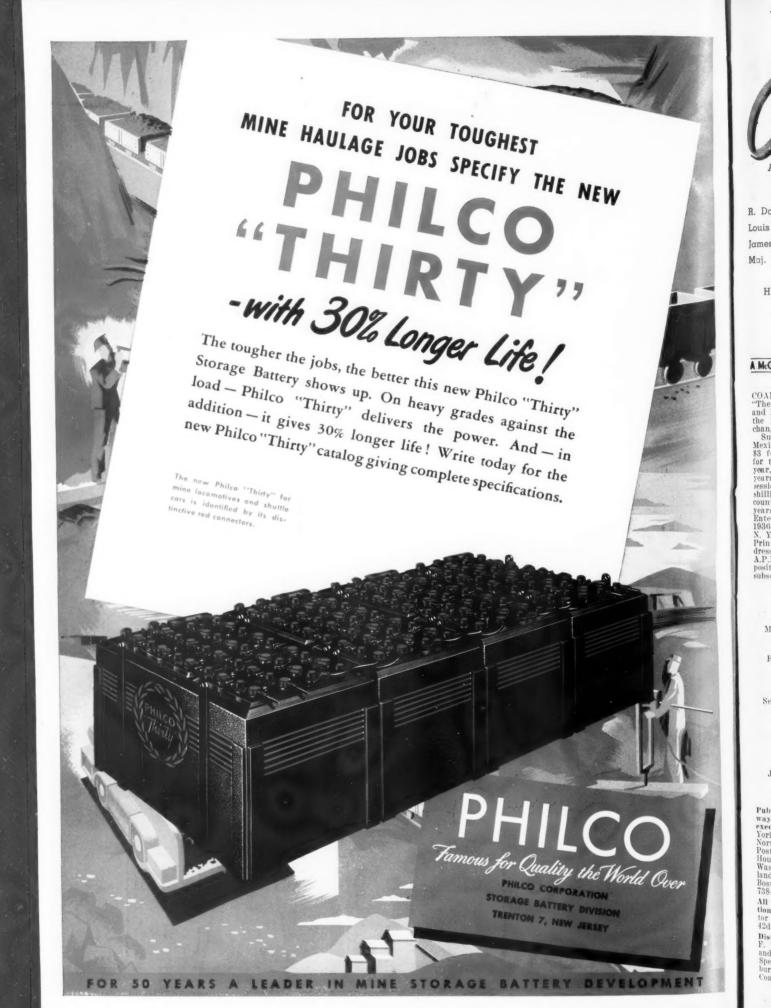
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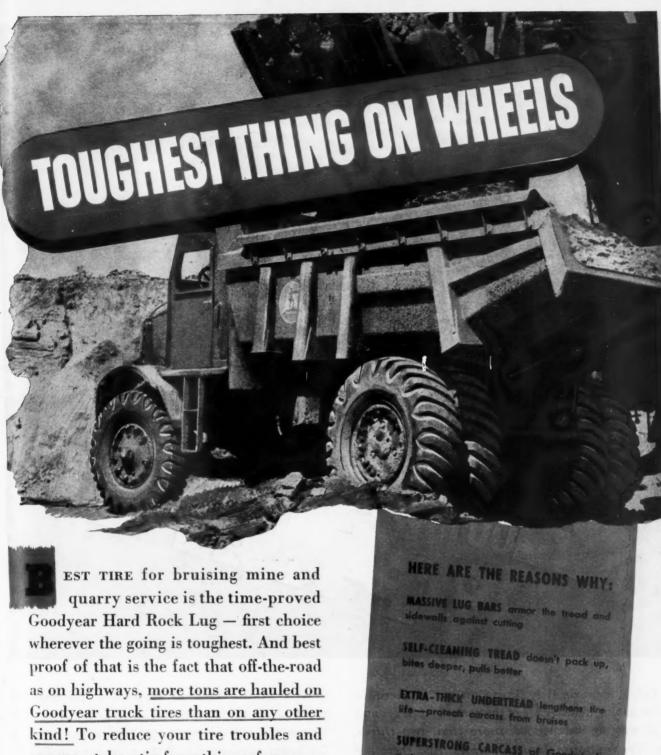
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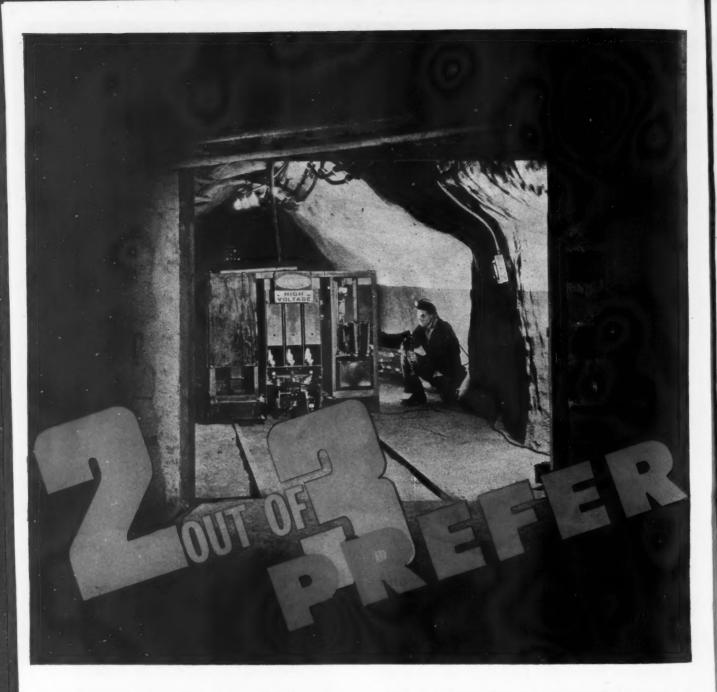
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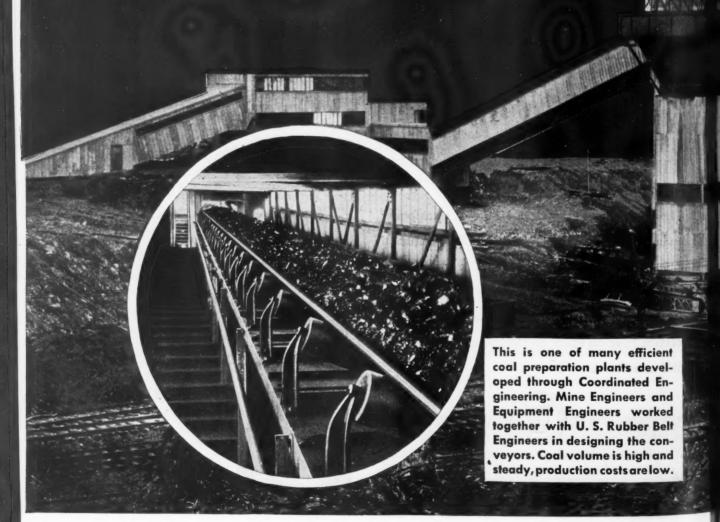
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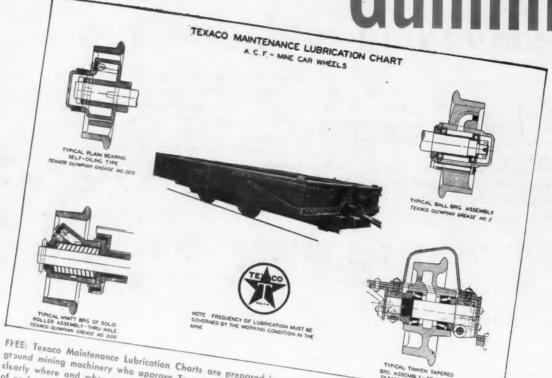
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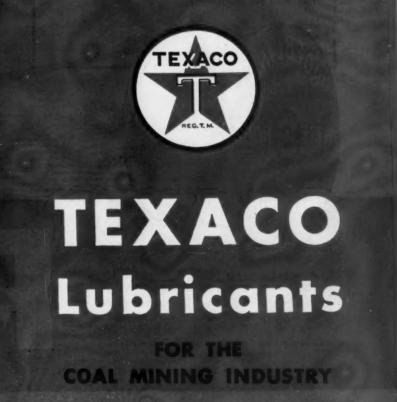
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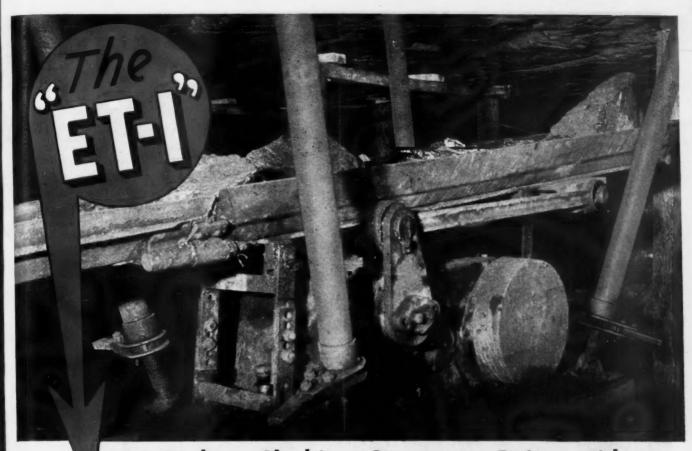


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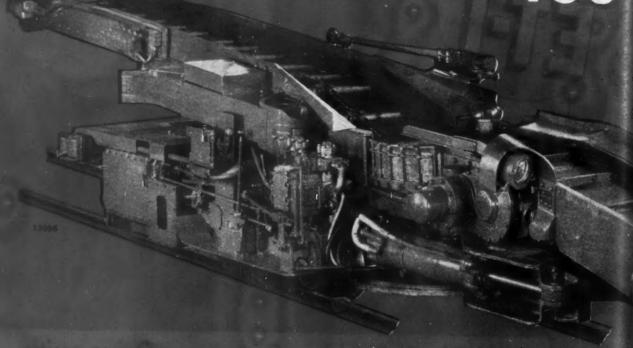
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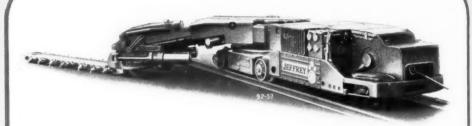
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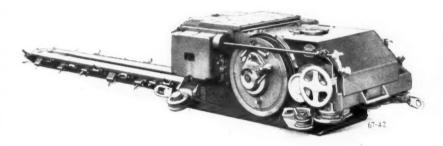
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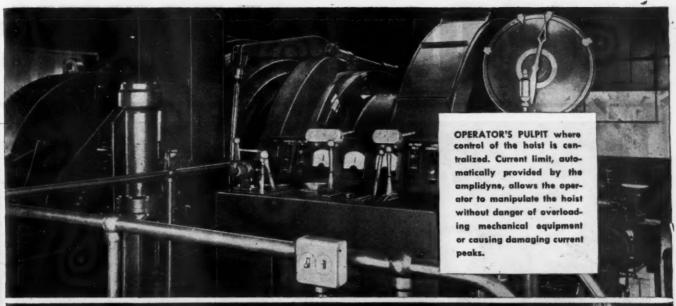
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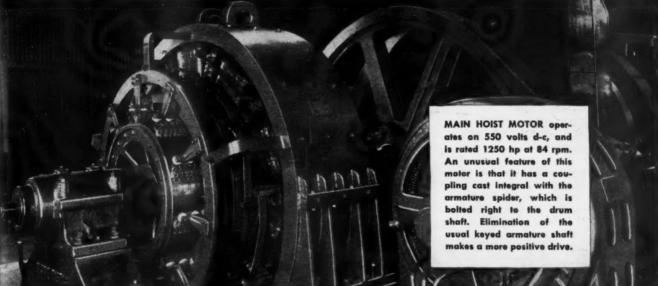
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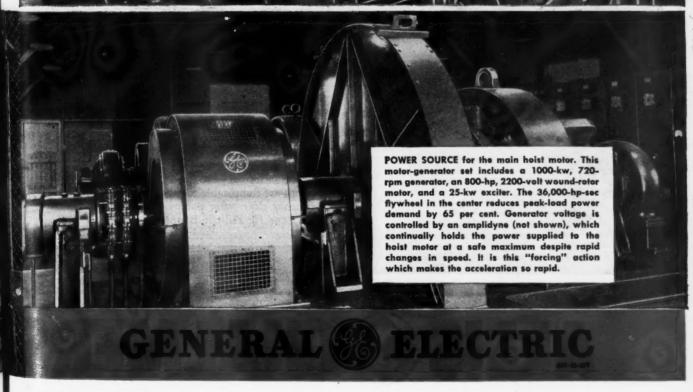


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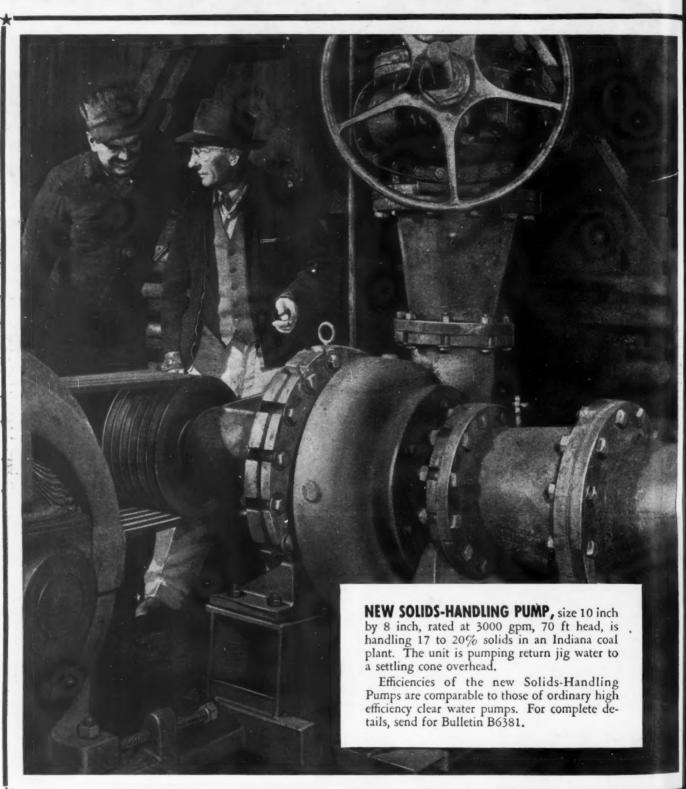






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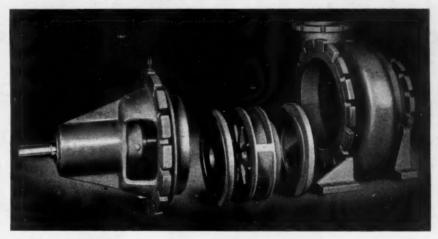
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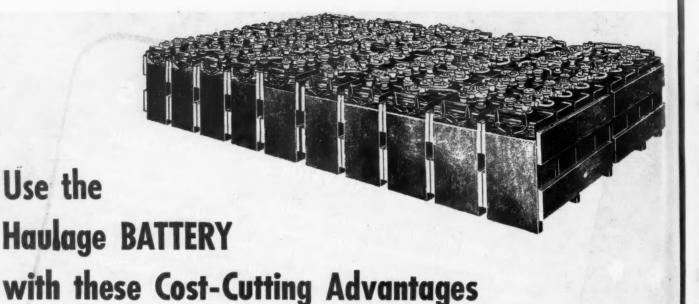
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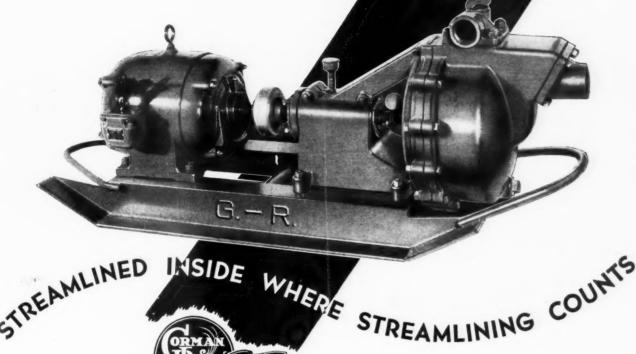
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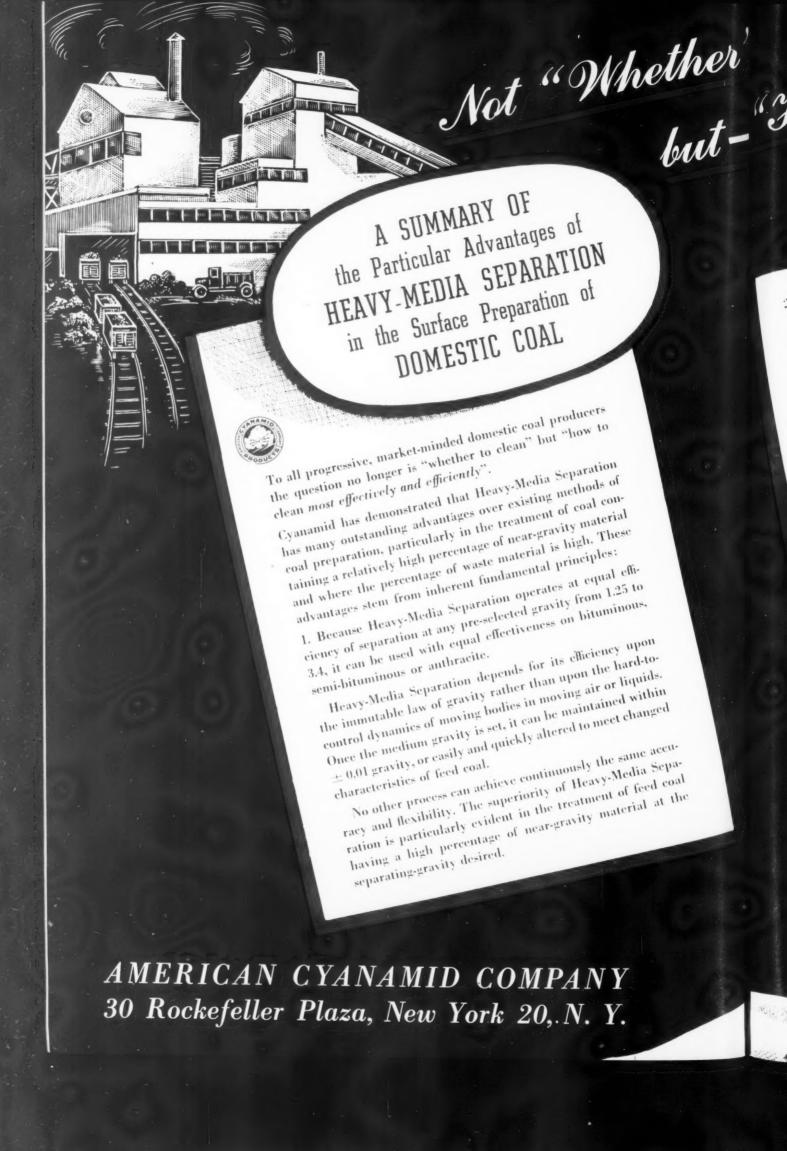
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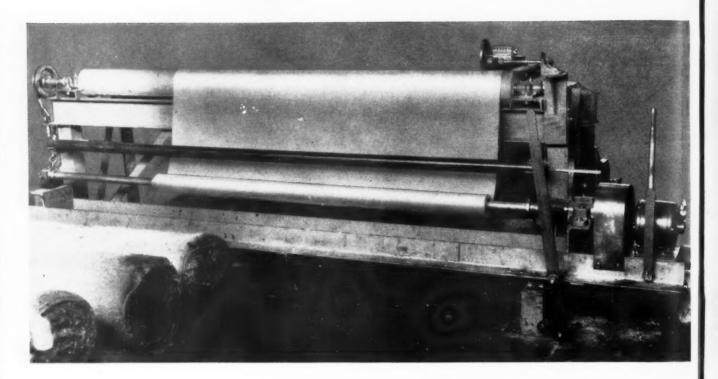
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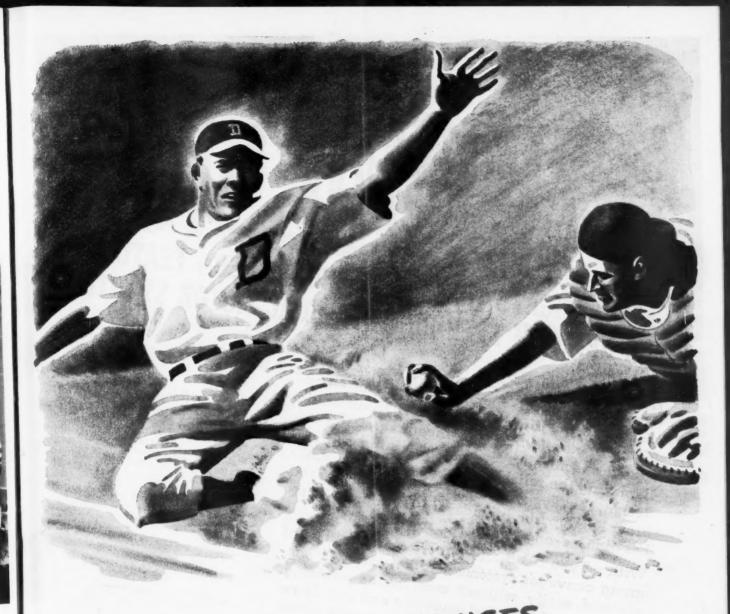
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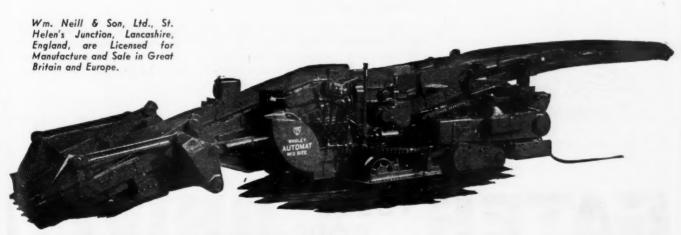
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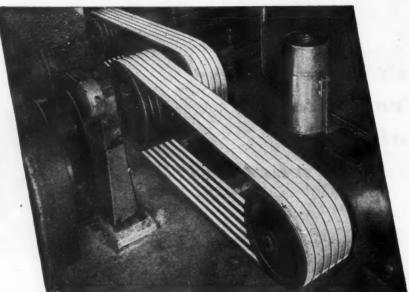
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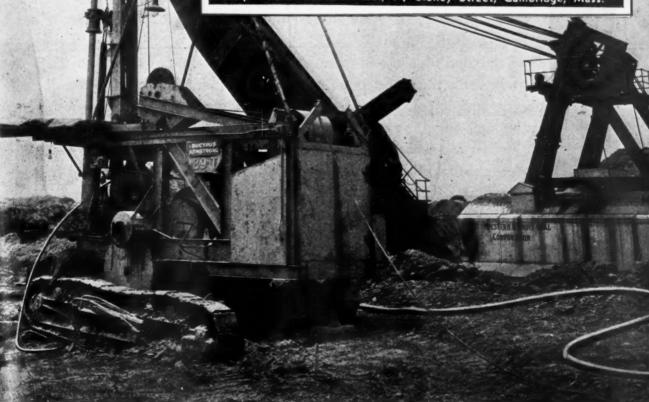
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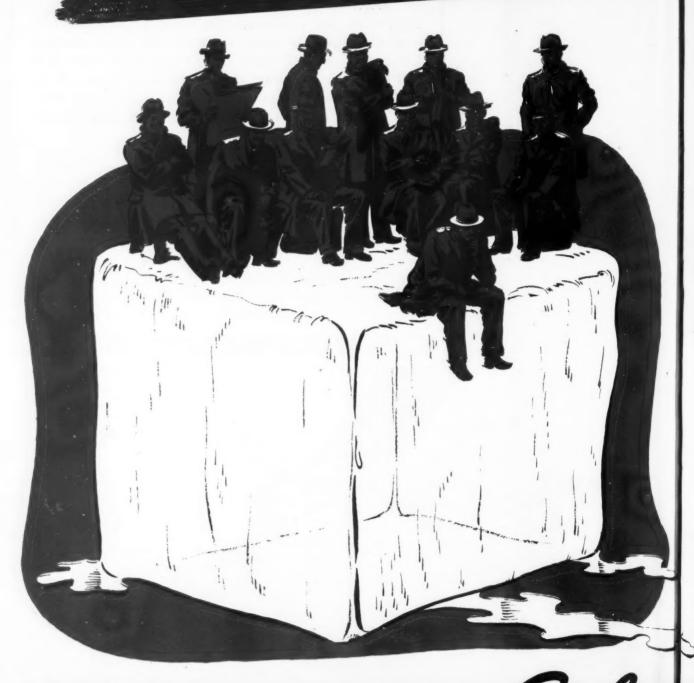
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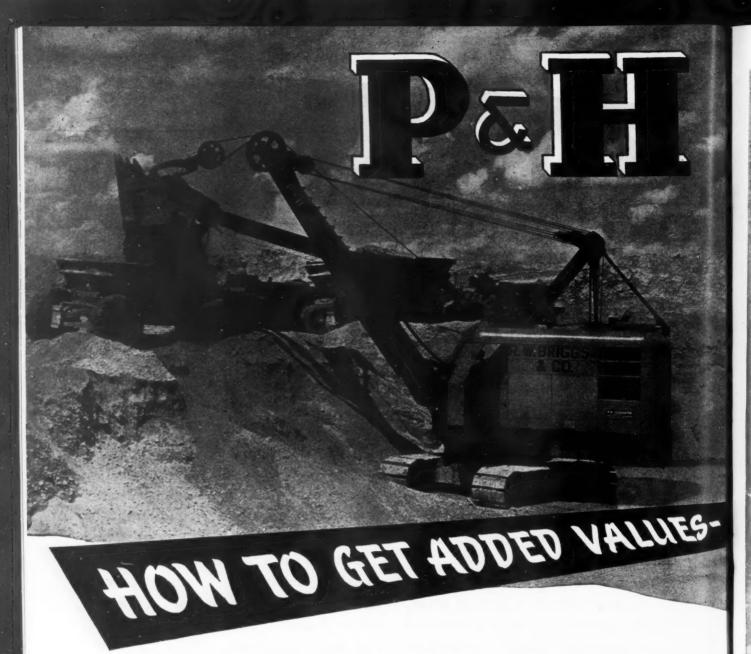
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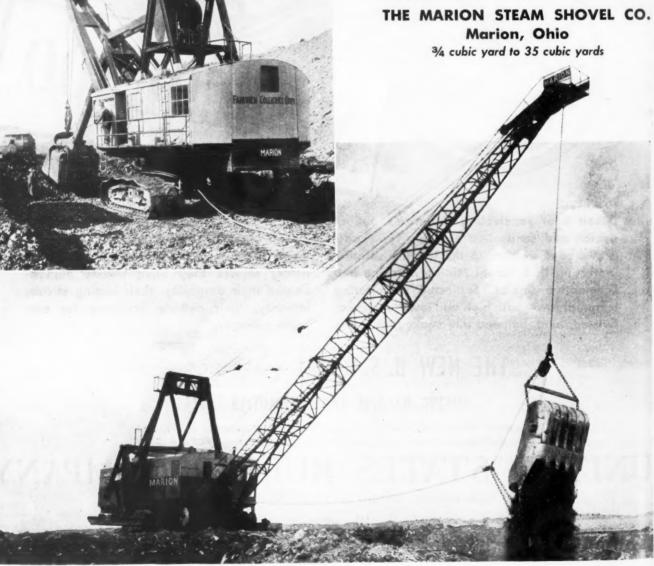
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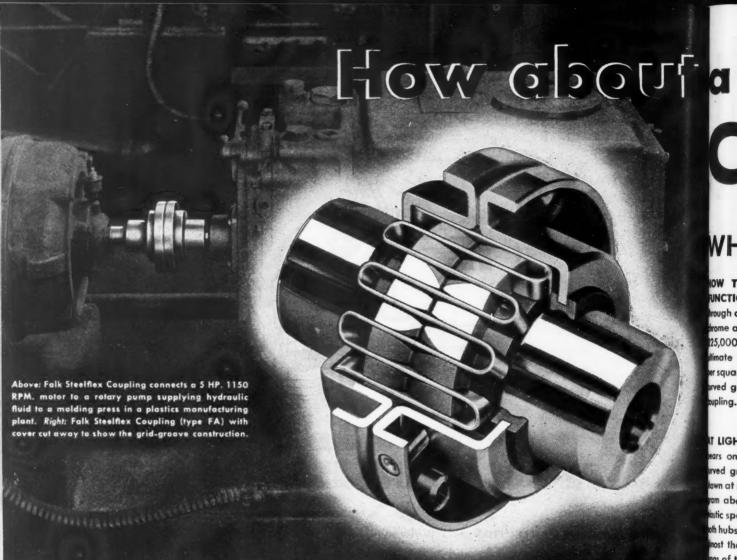
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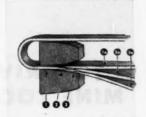
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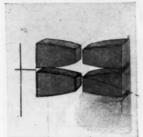
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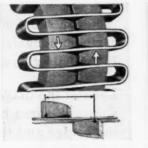




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The identical hubs are moderately high carbon bar steel, forged steel, or Falk alloy cast steel. Into these hubs, grooves are cut in a precise arc, with radius and length proportional to the size of the coupling, to provide a snugly fitting slot for the grid member and a bearing surface from outer to inner edge of the hub.

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ANGULAR MISALIGNMENT. Under angular misalignment the design of the Falk Steelflex coupling permits a rocking and sliding action of grid and hubs that allows the greatest freedom of accommodation to angular misalignment, while at the same time transmitting the power through the resilient grid with no lost motion or backlash.

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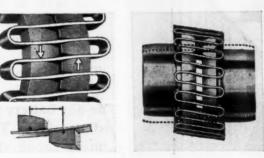
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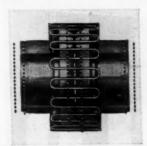
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PARALLEL MISALIGNMENT. When parallel misalignment is involved, the resilience of the grid-groove combination comes into full play. The movement of the grid in the lubricated grooves accommodates the misalignment, while still permitting full function of the grid-groove action of the coupling in absorbing shock and dampening vibration.

IPEAK LOADS, the rungs of the grid tember then bear over almost the enterprise curved surfaces of the grooves (3, 4 in diagram) and the span of the grid comes very short. The coupling still mains torsionally resilient. Also under the impact of shock loads the grid tember flexes and transmits power coupling and evenly.





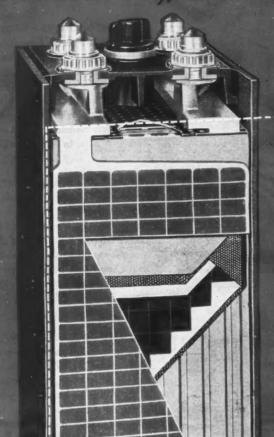
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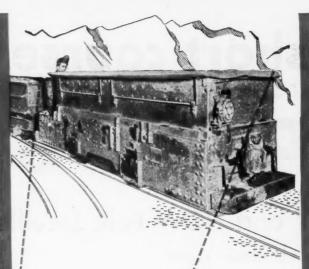
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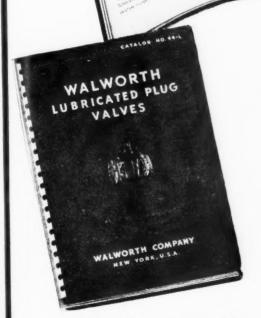


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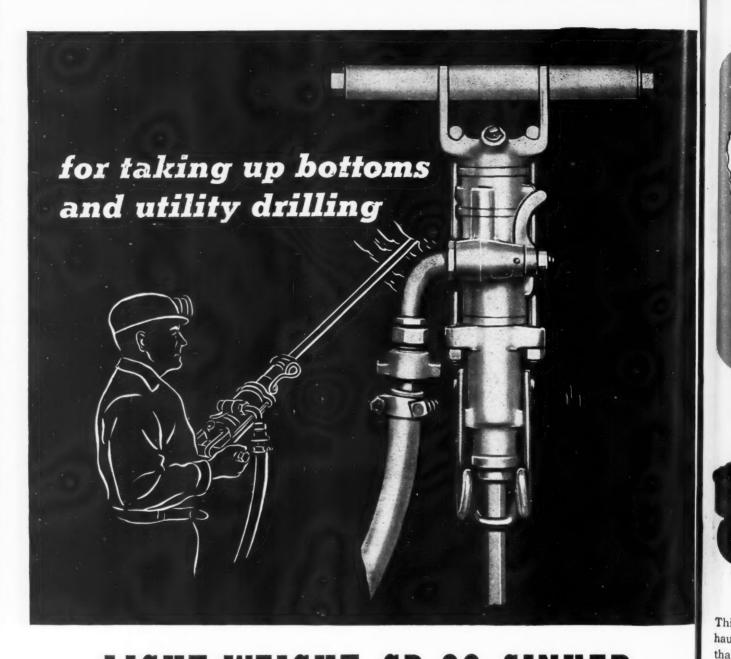
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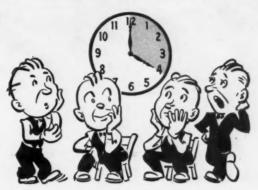
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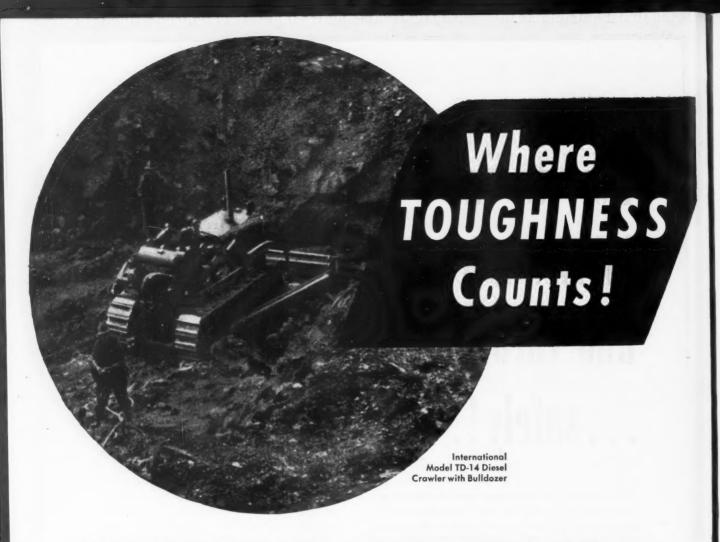


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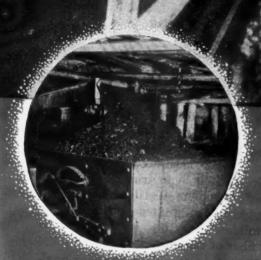
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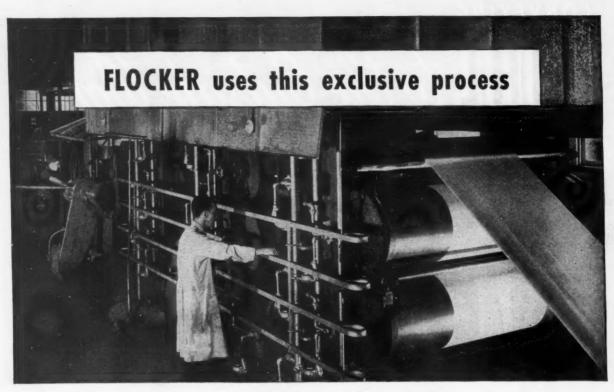
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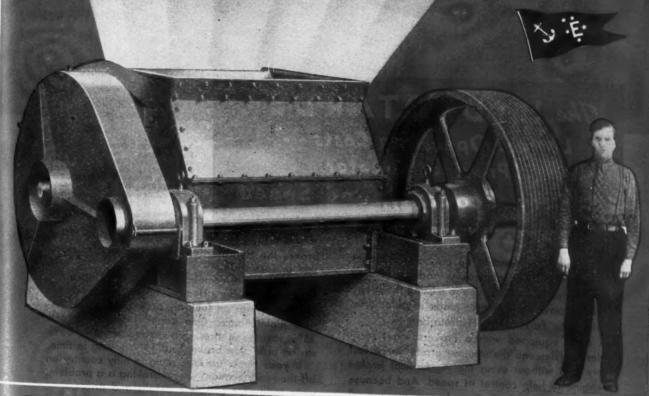
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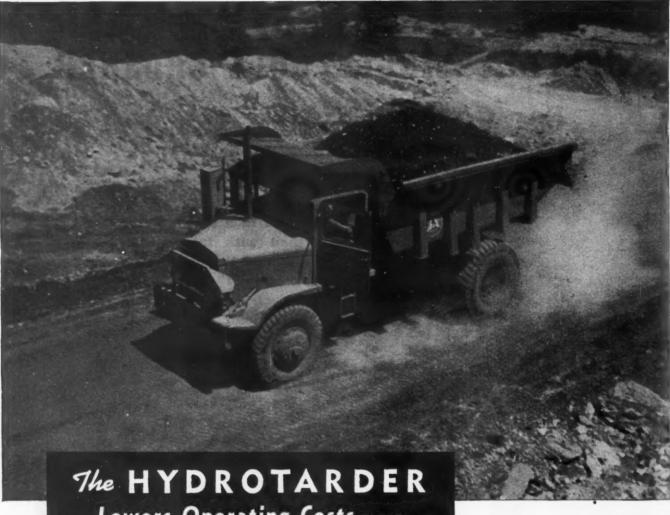
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#### Double by 1950

"CHEAP COAL means cheap miners; it will never exist again!" This philosophy, attributed to Will Lawther, head of the British mine workers' union, perhaps accounts for at least some of the difference in the status of coal mining in Great Britain and the United States. In this country, progress is firmly rooted in the principle that cheap coal—through higher productivity—is the only means of assuring continued prosperity with good wages to miners and reasonable profits to investors.

Cheap coal under the American plan means well-paid men and low cost to the consumer. The added ingredient is increased efficiency in production and preparation. Management usually is thought to have the greater stake in raising efficiency. Actually, it is as important to men as to management. Only by the cooperation of both is it possible to build the foundation of low cost and quality on which good wages and a healthy industry can rest.

Although being said with increasing frequency in recent months, it bears repeating that at the end of the war, or even before, coal can expect intensified competition from substitutes. Low cost still is the best weapon in that battle and that low cost can be secured only through higher productivity. Many operations already are reequipping and modernizing against the day and such reequipment and modernization should be the watchword throughout all the industry—especially in view of recent wage increases. A goal of 10 tons per man-shift in bituminous and 5 tons in anthracite by 1950 may seem like crowding it a bit. But the equipment and methods that could make that goal possible already exist and the closer coal comes to it the closer it will come to clinching its place as the No. 1 source of energy for home and industry.

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REALLY satisfying the consumer and winning his steadfast regard—and business—is a matter of many facets. First, there is low cost and high quality, which lie in the province of the operating department. Second, there is merchandising—the responsibility of the sales department. Third, there is research to discover new uses and promote efficiency in existing ones. Fourth,

there is presentation of the industry to the public in the correct light, or public relations.

Research and public relations are the newer of the four major steps toward better satisfying the consumer of coal. They are yielding results limited only by the support they receive from the industry. In view of these results, there should be no hesitancy in affiliating on the part of those yet to come in.

Where cost and quality are concerned, intensification of efforts is the keynote, since the principles are well known and need only be applied. Merchandising, however, is yet to be fully explored, in the opinion of many who have studied the subject. There is, for example, the field of technical service, which, to take a leaf from the book of public relations, might be called "technical relations." Such technical relations would round out coal's service by aiding the consumer in finding the coal best suited to his equipment, in finding new equipment better suited to his needs and in burning coal with the maximum efficiency. There is merit in the contention that good merchandising is not really achieved until provision is made for rendering such service.

#### Still Some Woods

DESPITE growing difficulties aggravated by strikes and stoppages, the coal production record so far this year is better than many expected at the start. But the industry and the country are not yet out of the woods and tighter transportation may be an additional handicap before the books are closed on 1945. All the evidence points to the fact that it is not yet time to let off the pressure.

Ample production, of course, would solve the fuel problem at one simple stroke. Anything that will increase output, therefore, will contribute that much more to a quicker end to the war. But a campaign is again under way to cushion the effects of any gap between production and requirements that might exist next winter. It is insurance and coal—even though its competitors, particularly oil, have not gone along—should be prepared to continue its work in promoting conservation and economical use until the day when supplies are again plentiful. In the long run, such work will pay off in increased respect and public regard

# Helping Coal's Veterans Get a New Start

LONG BEFORE the GI Bill of Rights was passed public opinion had decreed that veterans of World War II should have jobs when they came back if jobs were available. But what the law does not guarantee—what no law can guarantee—is that the veteran can make a success of the job. The law can take him through the plant gate and into the personnel manager's office, but once he reaches the working place, he is on his own. True, the law says that he must be retained a year unless he leaves voluntarily or makes a flop of it. But once the veteran has been rehired, the law has been satisfied. After that he and management must work out their problems together.

Almost everyone who has studied the situation—and there have been hundreds—agrees that three factors must be considered: the veteran, management, and the supervisor. If the veteran is to be happy and successful after he has been rehired, if the company is to receive the full benefit of his services, there must be united effort.

What the veteran's attitude toward his new job will be depends in great measure on what the company's attitude is toward him, and after the first day he will judge that attitude by how he is treated by his foreman and his fellow workers. That puts the matter rather squarely up to the foremen, because while the company can outline policy, it is the foreman who will carry out the policy, watch for the danger signals, adjust the grievances, and guide the newly hired veteran without letting him know about it.

That is the reason so many companies are including the foremen in all

their discussions on veterans' matters. They, even more than the veteran himself, are the key to the situation.

Rehiring of veterans in coal mining poses some specialized problems. The nature of the work, where failure to observe specified rules may mean instant damage to life and property, will require more careful and intelli-gent supervision. The foreman's job will be harder, because a coal-mine section boss can't walk down an assembly line. Readjustment of veterans becomes a reasonably simple matter in a large plant, all under one roof, with elaborate records and the services of a complete medical department, a personnel division, a psychiatrist and a veterans' counsellor at hand. Larger coal companies can afford all those estimable helps, but coal mining is composed of a lot of operations where the personnel division is the foreman and the medical department is a section boss who has studied first aid.

#### Room For All

The question of the disabled veteran will not be easily solved. Coal mining just does not offer the opportunities for handicapped workers which exist in aviation or some of the lighter manufacturing industries. Yet coal should be able to find a place on the surface, in the offices or the shops for those of its disabled veterans who apply for work.

But if there are detriments, there also are advantages. Coal mining, short-handed now, should be able to absorb easily all the veterans who apply to it for work. That will climinate the in-

evitable embarrassment or resentment when a veteran "bumps" a so-called temporary employee off his job. Things are much the same in coal mining now as they were before the war, so there will not have to be much re-education of men to new methods and new machinery.

Consideration of how best to handle veterans once they have been rehired is not a matter which will wait. Demobilization started with V-E Day, and policies, plans and training courses should be set up now to be ready for the first large influx of veterans. Some companies have already had scattered cases of veterans returning ("Jobs for Veterans," Coal Age, October, 1944) and can base future policy on the experience they have gained.

Management in coal mining and

Management in coal mining and in other industries which have investigated the problem believes it breaks down into three major questions:

1. What can management reasonably expect the veteran to be like?

2. What can management do to prepare for his return?

3. What can the foreman do to help him once he is back on the job?

Of necessity some portion of the answers must be conjecture, since neither industry nor government has been able to assemble sufficient case histories to establish anything more than general patterns. But that evidence, combined with studies by personnel experts throughout the nation, has led to conclusions sufficiently accurate to provide a reliable guide for coal-mining companies, large or small, and their supervisory staffs.

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Thousands of ex-service men soon will be returning to coal mining, bringing with them both problems and opportunity. How can management help best in making their readjustment both quick and easy? Sound planning is needed now, but the biggest part of the job in getting the veteran off on the right foot falls on the supervisor.



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# What the Returning Veteran Is and Isn't

In talking about the returning veteran himself, both government and industry authorities agree that the negative side of the question is less understood than the positive, that industry needs to learn more about what the veteran isn't rather than what he is. In other words, a little debunking seems to be in order.

Some false impressions have arisen, particularly about disabled veterans, and here, at least, the facts and figures of the Surgeon General's Office of the War Department can supply the proof. Here it is:

Discharges: No soldier is discharged from an Army hospital until he has reached a stage of "maximum improvement," or, in the layman's language, until he has been cured or cured to the extent his disability will permit. His medical record does not show on his discharge, of which there are three types: white, blue and yel-

low. White is honorable, blue means simply that he has severed his connection with the service for one of many reasons, and yellow is dishonorable. The company may require any veteran to undergo a physical examination. If the company's findings and the veteran's opinion disagree, the veteran has the right of appeal. The company, however, may not obtain a record of the veteran's service medical history without the veteran's consent.

Surgical Cases: Many civilians entered the armed services suffering from unsuspected ailments often aggravated by service duties. Many men underwent operations for hernia, intestinal and digestive disorders with hospitalization and surgical attention which in civilian life they never would have been able to afford. Many were subsequently discharged. These men, normally speaking, are coming out of the armed forces in much better phys-

ical condition than when they entered them.

Amputations: There are nowhere near as many of these as some loose talk has led people to suspect. In fact the Surgeon General's Office says that as of May 1, about 11,000 cases were being or had been treated in Army hospitals in the United States. Six Army centers specialize in amputation cases. The men are given long courses in physiotherapy, are fitted with the best custom-made artificial limbs, and are not discharged until they have mastered their use.

Mental Cases: These are the great bugaboo of the veteran situation, greatly overemphasized and generally misunderstood. Most combat veterans will be a little "different," but that does not mean that they will be mental cases. There will be nothing wrong with them that a few months

# Getting Man and Job Together



WELCOME HOME. Foreman Harry Hall greets Marine PFC Emery Newkirk, coming to ask about getting his old job back.

EMERY NEWKIRK returned to coal mining at Dakota, W. Va., after serving through four major engagements with the Marines and being slightly wounded four times. What happened to Newkirk when he went back to his old company may not be typical of what will happen to all returning veterans, but the situation is typical.

Before the veteran arrives, progressive management will have mapped an enlightened over-all policy for placing him back on the payroll and doing everything possible to help him become adjusted quickly to civilian life. A vital part of such policy, students of the problem declare, is to see that all supervisors who will come in contact with veterans are familiar with it, perhaps even have had a voice in framing it. Included in the policy also will be a thorough inventory of jobs which veterans can fill (including those for handicapped persons) as well as jobs which will be open for any present employees whom veterans might displace.

The company either will have hired a full-time veterans' counsellor or else designated a well qualified supervisor to act in that capacity, preferably a veteran himself. It will have seen to it that both executive management and supervisory management are fully acquainted with the laws dealing with veterans' preference and benefits. If at all possible, executive management will have had a doctor or a psychiatrist or both lecture to supervisors on what to watch for in returning veterans to help the supervisor spot the danger signals of either mental or physical illness.

When the veteran arrives, executive management naturally will make its welcome cordial and sincere. It will make sure, after the veteran has gone to work, that periodic reports are received on his progress, and the foreman's

of normal civilian life will not cure. But the veteran's normal peculiarities may easily be inflated and misunderstood because people will be watching for them. Of 100 cases of battle fatigue, between 70 and 80 normally are treated without ever leaving the combat zone. These generally are cases of nothing more than complete physical or emotional exhaustion. They are "pooped," and rest and quiet effect the cure. Of the others, between 5 and 10 percent require treatment in rest centers farther from the combat zone and are returned either to combat or other army duties. About 15 percent are sent back to the United States for further treatment. "Almost all" of them, the Surgeon General's Office says, are either discharged as cured or else are cured and reassigned to other army duties. The rest, of course, are advanced mental cases and must be hospitalized for extended treatment. Many men were rejected for the armed forces because of mental unfitness. Some of those just would not fit in anywhere. Others were fit

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in civilian life but were found unfit for army duty, upon being examined.

The veteran who, after being given every possible consideration, turns out to be a persistent trouble-maker, nine times out of ten would have been a trouble-maker whether he was a veteran or not.

The medical departments of the armed forces in this war have done a magnificent job of rehabilitation of battle casualties and of control of disease. Any employer can rely on the fact that a man discharged from the armed services is as physically ready to take up his civilian duties as the best medical care in the world can make him.

#### Management: Planner and Friend

The GI Bill of Rights says that employers must provide a returning veteran with his old job or with a comparable one unless to do so is "impossible or unreasonable." What the law does not say is that management should get ready now to be sure it is in a position to provide such jobs with the least possible disturbance to its present payroll and with the greatest possible benefit to the returning veteran.

Ideally, those two objectives would be accomplished through the combined efforts of the personnel division, the medical department, the veteran's counsellor, and advisory placement committee and a course in specialized foreman's training. Some coal companies will be able to afford to do all that. Others must depend on their own ingenuity, on group activity and on their own conscience as to how far they think they can go in helping the veteran become adjusted. But there are a number of things which all companies, large or small, can do to make the veteran's return happy, profitable and permanent. In the following pictures and text, Coal Age shows some of those things by following a returned veteran from the time he applies for employment until he draws his first week's pay.

Date 4-12-45 Foreman AL SPIVAK			JOB INVENTORY				•
Veteran's Name	When Entered Service	Last Job With Co.	Present Rank and Duties	Will He Want Old Job Back?	Successor's Name	Work Record	Will He Want to Stay
LOUIS PRESTON	6-18-43	LOADER	U.S.M.C. PFC AIR GROUND FORCE MECHANIC	HAS TOLD PARENTS INTENDS TO RETURN	BILL LESLIE	GOOD	58 YEARS OLD, DOUBT- FUL WILL WANT TO STAY
FRANK GRAHAM	8-13-42	MECHANIC	CAPT.INFANTRY MACHINE GUN OUTFIT-IN EUROPE	DOUBTFUL-HAS TOLD FRIENDS WANTS TO OPEN GARAGE	JACK KING	EXCELLENT	GOOD MAN, STEADY WORK- ER, SHOULD BE RETAINED
PHILIP SLOCUM	3-21-44	TRACK	PVT.INFANTRY LOST RT. LEG	WANTS JOB IF HE CAN FILL IT	BOB KNIGHT	FAIR	NO OPINION- COULD EASILY BE REPLACED
GEORGE McCARTHY	3-20-41	DRILLER	T/S-INSTRUCT OR, ARMORED FORCE	NO DATA- POSSIBLE FORE- MAN MATERIAL	JACOB HARRIS	POOR	BAD HEALTH- WILL QUIT AT FIRST CHANCE
BERT JOHNSON	7-8-43	TIMBERMAN	CPL ANTI-TANK	TOLD CO-PAPER EDITOR LOOKING	ERNEST WELLS	EXCELLENT	WANTS TO STAY

GETTING THE FACTS. Management will find some of its problems easier if before veterans arrive in any numbers, a survey is taken, not only of jobs open to them but those available to men already employed.

recommendations followed wherever possible on changes. That is about all top management can do. It can lay out the policy and provide the job. From then on, it is up to the supervisor. He will be the man the veteran sees every day on the job. It will be his responsibility to see that the veteran fits into that job, that his fellow workers are instructed on how to act toward the veteran, that the veteran receives every break, but no special favors.

But the supervisor's job is not as formidable as it might tools in his relations with veterans as the seem. The first requirement is that he be backed up by a relations with other employees.

clear and progressive policy so that he has to make fewer difficult decisions himself. The next requirement is that he receive some special training in dealing with veterans. After that, helping the veteran become readjusted quickly and easily to civilian life becomes just another specialized job of human relations. The tested methods of patience, tact, watchfulness and understanding which the good supervisor has already acquired will be just as valuable tools in his relations with veterans as they have been in his relations with other employees.





TALKING IT OVER is one of the first and most important steps the supervisor must take when the veteran reports for work. If the veteran formerly worked with the supervisor, they will want to get reacquainted. If he is a new man, they will want to get to know each other. In addition, a friendly, informal chat often will uncover skills the veteran learned in the armed forces, qualify him for a better job than the one he left. Here Foreman Hall checks with Newkirk and signs him on as a motorman.

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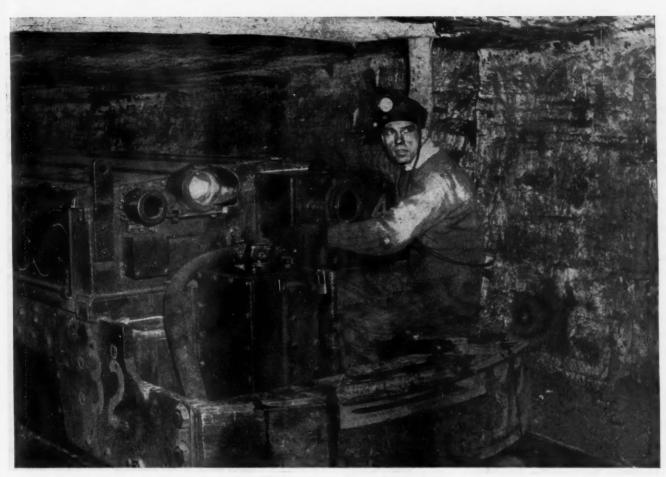
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FIRST DAY ON THE JOB may make or break a returning veteran and part of the foreman's task is to instruct his men how to act. Best policy is to tell them to be friendly, but not sentimental; cordial but not inquisitive, and if the veteran happens to be a wounded man, not to stare at his disability. Newkirk's old buddies greet him here as he reports for work. Cardinal point to remember for supervisors handling veterans is that all experts (and veterans themselves) agree that the thing they want most is to be treated just like anyone else, not set aside as a curiosity or a special exhibit.



A BATTERY LOCOMOTIVE becomes Newkirk's charge as he gets back into his mining harness. One of the supervisor's first and most important tasks is to see that returning veterans are placed in compatible jobs where they can use maximum ability.

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Effective help in placing the right man in the right job is a thorough job inventory which shows work available for returning veterans and present employees. Fortunately, Newkirk came back in good physical condition. All veterans will not, and coal mining has obligations to them, too. While opportunities in coal mining for handicapped workers are limited, job inventory may reveal a surprising number. Getting all facts together before veterans return will simplify task of placing them both for top management and supervisors.

FIRST DAY'S WORK DONE, Newkirk turns in his lamp. Competent supervisors realize that their task in helping to readjust veterans does not end with the first day or two they are at work. One of the most important jobs will be a constant but unobtrusive check on the veteran's work and how readily he is adjusting himself to it. Veterans who have been through combat, for instance, may show signs of nervousness when shots are set off. This will disappear, but perhaps a change to some other job for a brief period will overcome it quicker. The first few weeks on the job are when the supervisor must keep his eyes open for signs of excessive fatigue, the "blues," a tendency toward "hell raising," dizziness and other danger signals, and be quick to recommend changes in work for veterans who will benefit by them. Part of management's responsibility is to see that such reports are made frequently and to take appropriate action promptly.





PAY DAY is a great morale builder, and Newkirk has just collected his wages as a motorman, a job which averages him about \$60 a week. Part of supervisor's task will be to encourage veterans to upgrade themselves as workers, either through off-hour study or through regular training classes. Many of them will return with a high degree of skill acquired in a mechanized war, with a knack both for receiving and understanding instructions quickly and for giving them clearly. Training courses may uncover much valuable supervisory material among returned veterans.

ALL VETERANS, like most everyone else, will want to blow off steam now and then, and one of the best ways management and the community can help is to provide wholesome places for entertainment. Here Mr. and Mrs. Newkirk cut a mean rug at the Saturday night dance at a local lodge hall. One of the best ways of helping the veteran become readjusted to civilian life is to encourage him to assume a responsible place in the community. The veteran will benefit by acquiring new interests, and the community will benefit because the veteran will bring a new and fresh point of view to community affairs.





SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER at home with his family is something Newkirk has looked forward to for a long time. Married for 11 years, he is the father of three children, but many veterans will lack the steadying influence of home and family when they return. No supervisor is expected to

"wet-nurse" men under him, but they should bear in mind that returning veterans without strong home ties probably will require closer supervision, more frequent counsel, and friendlier advice than those with family responsibilities. Alert supervisors know that worry often makes inefficient workers.

#### How to Help the Veteran Become Part of the Team

Supervisors will find their task of handling veterans on the job considerably easier if they remember to follow a few simple rules devised by experts who have studied the question. In addition, they should instruct their men to follow much the same rules. For instance:

#### DO

be patient

be sympathetic

be cordial

be specific and complete in giving instructions

let him talk when he has a problem

keep an eye on him without letting him know it

give him an occasional pat on the back for good work

try to find out his hopes and ambitions

#### DON'T

be curious

be sentimental

accord him special privileges stare if he is a disabled man

try to make him talk about the

try to be a doctor

bawl him out before the other men treat him differently from any other worker

#### Danger Signals!

Watch out for them in the veterans that come back to work. If you spot them, have a friendly talk with the veteran about it. If they persist, report to your superior, and company policy will indicate the next step to take.

EXCESSIVE FATIGUE—perhaps the man is not strong enough yet to do the job to which he has been assigned. Talk over possibility of transfer to some other work.

FREQUENT HEADACHES—may indicate worry, or perhaps unsuspected eyestrain. Better consult the medical department.

DIZZY SPELLS—might result in  $\alpha$  serious accident. Frequently the result of stomach trouble. Better tell him to see his doctor.

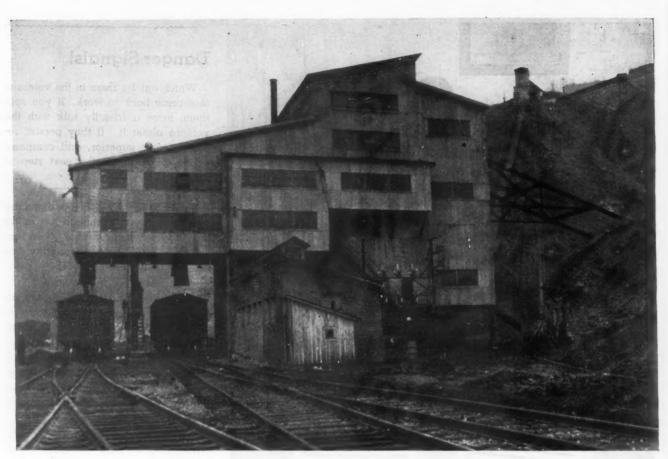
NAUSEA — may be either from nervousness or from actual sickness. In any case, don't kid him about it; sympathize, send him home and tell him to get some medical advice.

IRRITABILITY — sometimes the result of a physical ailment, but more often dissatisfaction or worry. A friendly talk will often help more than anything else.

THE BLUES—often a result of lack of confidence. Perhaps the job is not suitable, perhaps the man can do a better job some other place. Check up on his work and talk it over with him.

HORSEPLAY — sometimes the result of restlessness, a desire "to start something around here." Impress on him the need for safety, if not only for himself also for his fellow workers.

MOODS—many veterans will have them, just as other people have them but perhaps do not show them as much. Be patient, try to get to the source of the trouble. Discouragement may account for some moods. A pat on the back will often help.



Republic-mine preparation plant with headhouse in the background. The  $4\frac{1}{2}$ x0-in, mechanically cleaned product is loaded on the two tracks at the left.

# **NEW REPUBLIC MINE**

# Produces and Prepares Coal Mechanically

Planned for Complete Mechanical Operation and Pillar Recovery, Republic Mine Uses Loading Machines, Shuttle Cars and Belts Underground With Wet and Dry Cleaning of Coal on the Surface

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MOBILE LOADERS, shuttle cars and belts handle loading and transportation at the new Republic mine, at the head of Road Creek off Russell Fork of the Big Sandy River in Pike County, Kentucky. This mine, opened by the Republic Steel Corp. to supply byproduct coal to the company's mills, is the first in that county planned for 100-percent mechanical loading and complete extraction of pillars. Belts are not used

for carrying supplies nor are men allowed to ride on them. Tracks for trolley-type supply locomotives, with bridges across belts, are installed to carry men and materials to all sections.

The mine is in the Lower Elkhorn seam, which includes a 48- to 52-in. stratum of clean coal. Shipping run-of-mine coal began June 15, 1943; washed coal, Sept. 20. Now, 12,000 ft. of belt is in use underground, 2½ miles of six-heading entries have been driven, pillars have been robbed in three crop sections and the daily production is 1,800 tons of washed coal. In planning the mine and in its opera-

tion, safety has been kept in the foreground. From September, 1944, to March 15, 1945 (the time of this writing), only two lost-time accidents occurred.

Republic mine is served by the Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. A bridge was constructed across Russell Fork of the Big Sandy River connecting to a 3.1-mfle extension of the railroad to the tipple on Road Creek. The yard tracks will accommodate 48 70-ton cars. The extension was completed in June, 1943. Highway distance from Pikeville to the site of the mine office and tipple is 20 miles, 17½ miles of

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which is paved road and 2½ unimproved but passable creek road. Elevation of the coal seam at the belt portal is 1,487 ft. and of the railroad tracks at the tipple, 1,063 ft.

The seam lies practically level. Grades in local dips seldom exceed 2 percent. The property, owned in fee and including approximately 5,000 acres of the lower Elkhorn coal, consists for the most part of one area of numerous connected fingers of irregular shapes. Cover reaches 450 ft. The Upper Elkhorn seam, not commercially minable in this locality, lies 180 ft. above the lower seam.

#### Coal Left in Bottom

Seam thickness is 66 in. and all of it is taken except that 2 to 4 in. of coal is left in the bottom. The mining includes a laminated coal-and-bone streak 8 to 10 in. thick and 4 in. down from the top. Above that, in most places, is a drawslate up to 30 in. thick, all of which is taken down in entries and part of which is held when slabbing and extracting pillars. Over the drawslate is a frail sandstone which disintegrates and flakes down in warm weather.

The bottom is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 in. of soft fireclay on 5 to 8 in. of bone coal. Below that is 12 to 14 in. of fireclay. Some water is present and in those spots wooden roads have to be laid for the rubber-tired shuttle cars. The coal is high-volatile byproduct grade of about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  percent inherent ash. In the headhouse, all of the output is crushed to a  $4\frac{1}{2}$ -in. top size.

The following list of equipment indicates in part the underground methods: five shortwall cutters with 9-ft. bars using standard chains and plain forged bits; one shortwall with 6-ft.

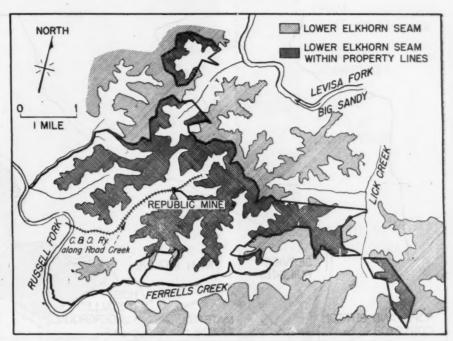
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Property lines and seam outcrops, Republic mine.

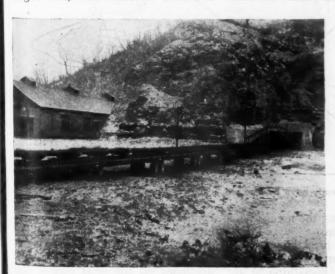
bar; six hand-held electric coal drills (of the cutters and drills, four of each are in regular use); four crawler-type cable-reel trucks for carrying short-walls; four crawler-mounted rubber-suspended loaders; four 3-ton cable-reel shuttle cars; four 3-ton storage-battery shuttle cars; 12,000 ft. of 30-in. belt conveyors with one 40-hp. a.c. drive in the headhouse and four 40-hp. drives underground.

Auxiliary equipment that should be included in the list is as follows: two 8-ton cable-reel locomotives for hauling men and materials; three 60-g.p.m. self-priming centrifugal pumps; one 30-g.p.m. pump of the same type; one rock-duster with two sets of trucks (one for track and the other a steering-type unit for rubber-tired wheels). All of

the underground equipment operates on 275 volts d.c.

On the main entry (six headings) the belt is installed in the right-hand one of the center pair. On branch entries (also six headings) turned to right the belt is in the left-hand one of the center pair and on entries turned to the left in the right-hand heading. With that arrangement two branch belts working in territories on opposite sides of the main belt can discharge at one point so that one conveyor operator can tend both.

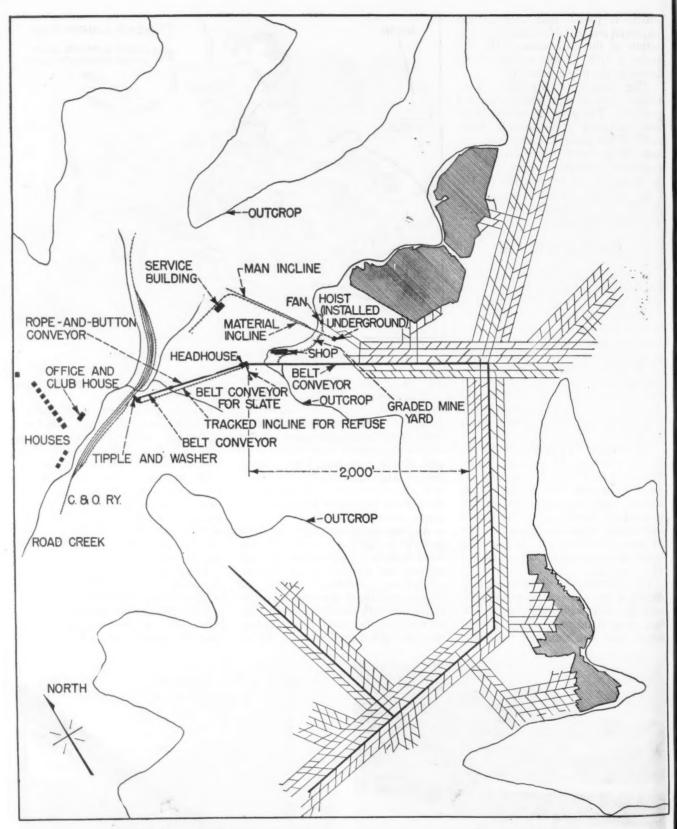
The principal reason for employing an operator at each point where a side or branch belt discharges to another is that drawslate is handled on the belts. To keep from mixing coal and slate, the operator, when he sees slate



This first section of the 30-in. underground belt system delivers 300 ft. beyond the portal to the headhouse. The building is the mine shop.



Looking up to the headhouse and refuse belt from the preparation plant. The mine portal is 424 ft. higher. The mast at the left supports a car retarder.



Initial development in Republic mine. Pillars already have been mined in the cross-hatched area.

coming on the branch belt, stops it unless at that time the main belt is running empty of coal. Another reason for his being there is to save damage to belting in case an extra large piece of slate hangs up at the transfer point. Incidentally, having belt operators simplifies the electric

controls by obviating the necessity for sequence connections.

Headings and breakthroughs are driven 12 ft. wide and rooms 16 ft., all on 80-ft. centers. Breakthroughs are turned at 60 deg. every 85 ft. between the center pair of headings and the same between outside pairs. Those

connecting the three pairs, however, are 170 ft. apart but in line with the ones first mentioned. Entry pillars are diamond-shaped blocks. Rooms are developed on the same general plan but with all breakthroughs driven straight on through, thus making uniform diamond-shaped pillars.

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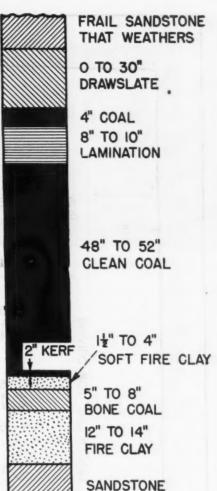
Taking an open-sided cut next to the fracture line from a diamond-shaped pillar.

Shuttle cars dump directly to the belts, some to the ends and some to the sides. It is the plan to limit shuttle-car hauls to 400 ft., but, because of slow deliveries of pans and belting for extending conveyors, the cars have hauled coal 1,100 ft. To accomplish hauls up to 1,000 ft. with cable reels that spool but 500 ft., the nip is attached to the power at a midway point and back spooling is practiced. One battery and one cable reel car serve each loader.

Thirteen men comprise a unit crew. There are two men each for the drilling, cutting, loading, shuttle-car operating and slate work. That accounts for ten. A shotfireman, a timberman

and a road man make up the remainder. The road man cleans up at points where the shuttle cars dump to belts and works the shuttle-car roadways. The slate men clean the working places after the loader and preparatory to entrance of the cutting machine. Also, after the shot, they remove and gob the drawslate that has come down or is loose. In addition they look after drawslate on the roadways and sometimes help build wooden runways through wet places.

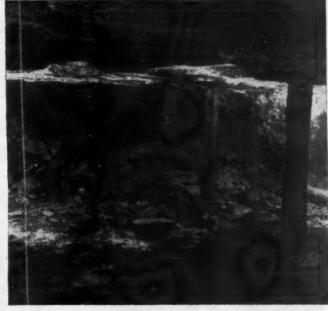
In the four sections of the mine there usually are five to ten spots 50 to 100 ft. in length over which wooden runways must be laid for the shuttle cars. Planks 3x10 in. x 14 ft. long are



Section of the Lower Elkhorn seam in Republic mine.



looking outby from the face of a working place. The shortwall has finished cutting and is being loaded onto the crawler-mounted truck. Here, 8 in. of drawslate has come down.



Ready for the loading machine—heading 16 ft. wide shot down, drawslate gobbed between posts, a prop set 14 ft. from the back of the cut and the fall of coal rock-dusted.

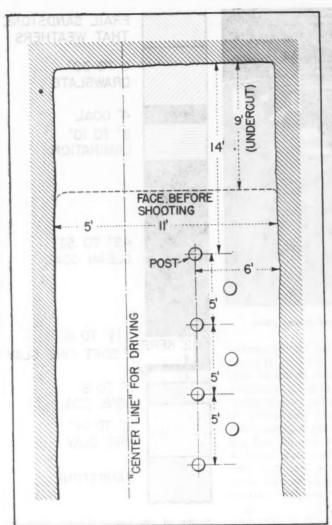
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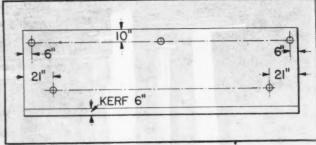
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SEMI-PERMANENT OVERCASTS (TWO TYPES)

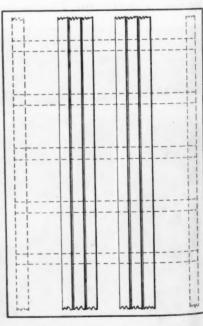
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Three types of overcasts are employed. Views show certain construction details.



Cable-reel shuttle car dumping to the end of a 30-in. belt conveyor.



Solid lines indicate 3x10-in. x 14-ft.-long planks laid for shuttle cars in soft places. Planks of the same size are added per dotted lines in the worst places.

used. If the hole is not particularly bad three planks side by side constitute the track for each wheel. In the worst places these tread planks are laid on others used as crossties. The ties are held in place by planks spiked along the ends.

Coal is shot with permissible explosive. Each of the five holes, three top and two bottom, are loaded with three 1½x8-in. sticks. This throws practically all of the coal down, so the loading machines need do no digging.

Standard timbering in a 16-ft. working place consists of one row of posts 5 ft. apart on a line 6 ft. from the right-hand rib. When the loader enters there is a post 14 ft. from the back of the cut that has been shot down. In relation to the projection "center lines," places are driven with the left-hand rib 5 ft. from that line.

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The four loaders regularly load two shifts. Portal-to-portal hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the first shift and 3:15 p.m. to midnight for the second. On the third shift one skeleton crew of mine men works one loading machine part of the time. These men spend at least 50 percent of their time at construction work such as bridges and overcasts.

Of the six headings constituting an entry, the center pair are intakes and the other four returns. The 71,000 c.f.m. of air at 0.45-in. water gage now circulated by a 5-ft. modern fan courses through eight splits. The fan is driven by a 20-hp. 2,300-volt slip-ring induction motor, resistance speed control.

All doors are in pairs forming air locks. Overcasts, built at the mouths of branch entries, are of two general types, permanent and semi-permanent. The former have 8-in. slabs of concrete reinforced with 110-lb. rails on 24-in. centers and have walls 8 in. thick of



Battery-type shuttle car ready to dump to the side of the belt.

twin brick. Two different designs have been used for the semi-permanent ones. The first consists of 40-lb. rails on 24-in. centers with wooden spacers between and 3 in. of concrete over the wood. In the other type the rails are the same weight but on 33-in. centers and between them are sheets of \(\frac{1}{6}\)-in. steel in pieces 34x40 in. and curved or bent to an arch. These also have 3 in. of concrete over the top. The latest of this type built over supply tracks have the "low-bridge" approach corners made less sudden by having the outside span rails elevated 6 in. higher than the others.

Bridges 12 ft. wide by which supply tracks cross over belts are built as follows: 12-ft. span supported by 110-lb. rails on 18-in. centers with these rails bolted on top of 12-in. I-beams that in turn rest on three concrete piers; spaces between rails filled by blocks sawed to short lengths from 3x10-in. planks; 5x10-in. x 12-ft. crossties laid skin to skin and the track rails spiked to them. Clearance under the bridge

is 4 ft. to the floor of the belt heading.

Supply tracks are 40-lb. rails on creosoted ties (60 lb. pressure-treated). Both rails are bonded with cross bonds every 200 ft. A 500,000-cir.mil negative return wire lies on the mine floor along the track and is connected thereto at 300-ft. intervals. The trolley wire is 350,000-cir.mil No. 9 section and is in parallel with a 1,000,000-cir.mil feeder. At intervals not exceeding 1,000 ft. 600-volt quick-break knife switches are installed in both trolley and feeder.

Supply cars have a strong 3-ton allsteel solid body and are equipped with anti-friction bearings. Wheel hoods are flat on top. The hood on each side consists of a continuous flat piece over the two wheels, forming a seat for men riding in the cars. At present about 25 of these cars are in use.

D.c. power is supplied by a 300-kw. rotary converter with manual start and automatic feeder control. It is driven by purchased power and is installed in an outside substation.

Storage of daily supplies of powder



Operators stationed at points where cross-entry belts discharge to the main belt start and stop the cross-entry belts in accordance with whether they are carrying coal or rock. Rock is not loaded until there is an empty space on the main belt.



John Coyer, general mine foreman, walks the tracks under a semipermanent overcast. It has steel sheets on the under side and the first support rail is elevated 6 in, to make a less abrupt approach. Another type also employed uses a slightly different construction.

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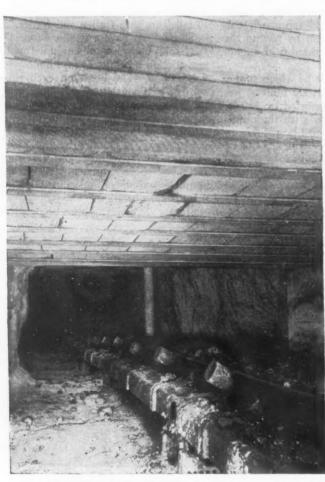
Supply-track bridge over the main belt. Rails of 110-lb, size form a 12-ft, span. They are supported on I-beams resting on concrete piers.

and caps underground in the mining sections is in boxes built of brick, rubber and steel and mounted on wooden sleds. These are described in the Operating Ideas section (p. 126).

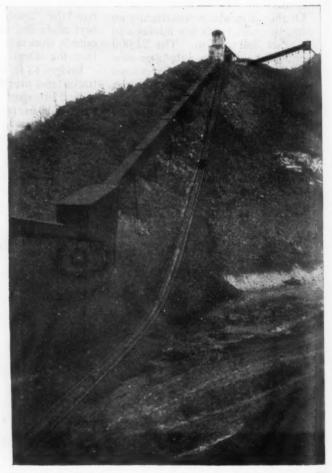
With the dual-truck rock-duster listed with the underground equipment, the whole mine is kept heavily rock-dusted. Working places are rock-dusted by hand after each shot prior to entrance of the loading machine. This includes a coat on top of the coal that has been shot down.

The hoist for handling men and materials up and down the incline from the service building to the mine level is classed as outside equipment but actually is installed underground. It is 200 ft. in from the portal of a heading that lines with the knuckle at the top of the incline. By this simple arrangement little grading was required for the track on which hoisted cars are switched back into the mine yard. The hoist is driven by a 125-hp. 2,300-volt motor.

The incline has two tracks, one intended for man hoisting and the other for hoisting materials. The latter is curved at the bottom of the incline and is carried past the service building and



The 110-lb. rails forming the span of a supply-track bridge over the belt are spaced on 18-in, centers and filled with blocks cut from 3x10-in, planks.



A car of washer refuse is on its way up the incline. At the headhouse it dumps into a bin that also receives mine rock and table pickings.

Eight-ton supply locomotive under a permanent overcast. The 8-in. slab is reinforced with 110-lb. rails on 24-in. centers.

into the timber yard. Under this track an underground pass was built for men walking from the service building to the man hoisting station.

The man track was not in use at the time of this writing, pending delivery of a special man car seating twelve men. In addition to the hoist rope there will be attached to this car another rope which is to be threaded over a head-sheave arrangement and connected to a balancing car on the materials track. In case of overspeed a brake on the head sheave will set auto-

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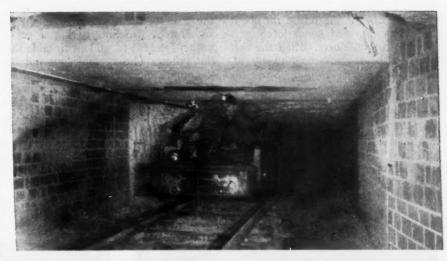
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A shop building 40x133½ ft. near the belt portal is built of brick. It houses a blacksmith shop, machine shop, tool and supply room, furnace room and oil house. The machine shop has the following equipment: 36-in. radial drill, 20-in. industrial shaper, 22-in. lathe with 10-ft. bed, power hack saw, 3-hp. double-wheel grinder accommodating 2½x14-in. wheels and a vulcanizer for trailing cables. The shop has two items of used equipment: a 150-ton wheel press and a 300-amp. portable welder with d.c. drive.

Rated capacity of the preparation plant is 250 tons per hour of coal previously hand-picked in the headhouse. In the latter an operator stationed at the end of the mine belt throws a fly gate to divert the belt discharge to a 100-ton coal bin or to a refuse bin, depending on whether coal or slate is coming out on the belt. From the bin the coal passes over a 4-in. scalping screen. The undersize is bypassed to the rope-and button retarding conveyor while the plus 4-in. goes over an apron-type picking table and then through a crusher (24x36-in. single roll) to the rope-and-button conveyor.

Pickings from the headhouse table are conveyed back to the slate bin that receives mine rock. To that bin also goes reject from the cleaning plant at the bottom of the hill. It is hoisted up an incline in a 5-ton bottom-dumping car by a single-drum hoist powered by a 100-hp. 440-volt motor.

From this refuse bin at the headhouse the material is conveyed on a 36-in. belt (7½-hp. motor) to an elevated discharge point nearby. From there the refuse is chuted directly to the dumping ground. The arrangement





A modern 5-ft. fan supplies air. At the right, a supply car has been stopped just short of the mine portal after being hoisted up the incline and is about to be switched into the mine yard. The hoist is 200 ft. inside the portal with the incline directly in front.



General view-preparation plant, refuse belt and dump, headhouse and belt from mine.



Some of the houses for Republic miners show in the rear of the superintendent's office and clubhouse.

will take care of the refuse for about five years provided some leveling is done with a bulldozer. Then the belt can be extended to accommodate another five years of dumping. Space for many years is available.

Motors of 40 hp. each are used on the crusher and rope-and-button conveyor. Total horsepower of the mine headhouse motors, including the slate hoist, is 252½ and all these motors are operated on 440 volts.

The rope-and-button conveyor is 680 ft. long (c.c.) and the angle from horizontal is 23½ deg. From its foot a 30-in. belt 300 ft. long (c.c.) delivers the coal to the tipple. This plant is an all-steel structure having a cone washer for \(\frac{1}{4}\times 4\frac{1}{2}\)-in. and an air table for the 1x0-in. The air table was not in the original design but was added after operating experience indicated need for dry treatment of the fines. After being cleaned the two sizes are mixed, and then loaded by chutes to two tracks.

Preliminary separation into two sizes for cleaning is done on a 6x14-ft. double-deck vibrating screen which receives the coal direct from the 300-ft. belt conveyor. Dewatering is done on Parrish-type shakers with wedge-wire decks and the refuse is desanded on a 4½x8-ft. double-deck vibrating screen.

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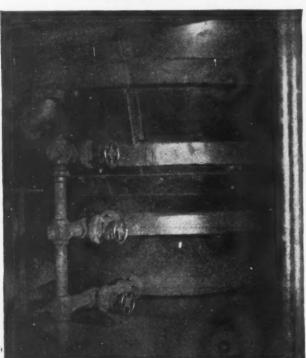
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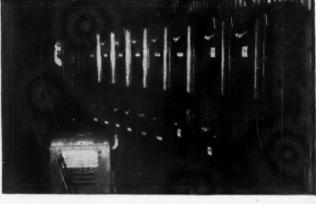
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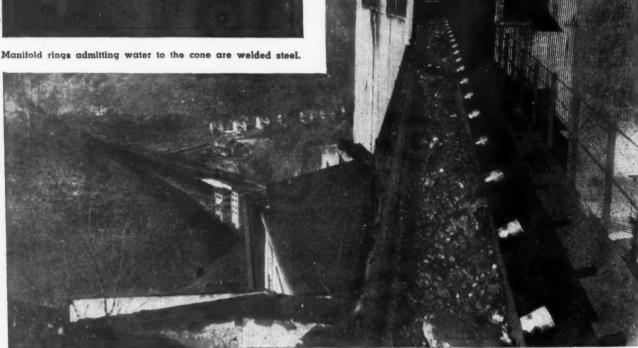
Sludge is pumped up a slight grade to a side hollow and into a settling pond 600 ft. from the tipple. The overflow drains back to a clear water pond and then returns to the plant by gravity. Make-up water comes from two deep wells. A 100-c.f.m. compressor furnishes air for operating the refuse gates.

Plant drives comprise 37 400-volt motors, totaling 318.5 hp. Those of the original installation are as follows: raw coal belt, 10 hp.; raw coal vibrator, 10 hp.; cone agitator, 7½; dewatering





A.c. welder and combination starters in the preparation plant.



Mine belt discharging to 100-ton bin in the headhouse. In the valley are the preparation plant, office and some of the houses. An operator stationed in the top of the headhouse at the end of the belt operates a fly gate to direct coal and rock to their respective bins.

screen, 15; compressor, 25; refuse elevator, 7½; refuse desanding vibrator, 3; gate for loading refuse into incline cars, 3; sand pump, 30; water-circulating pump, 75; clarified-water pump, 7½; sludge pumps, two, 10-hp., and a sand elevator, 3 hp. Controls are "De-ion combination" starters. For maintenance of the preparation equipment the plant is equipped with a portable 200-amp. a.c. welder.

Installation of an air cleaning plant added the following motors: slack elevator, 10 hp.; slack conveyor, 10; pressure fan, 30; exhaust fan, 40; recirculating fan, 71; flutter valve drive (gearmotor), 2; deduster, 2; and air

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> Sound-absorbing telephone booths are installed in both the headhouse and cleaning plant, one in each. These are a doorless-type booth yet are entirely effective in allowing free conversation over phones in very noisy places. Two booths of the same type have been installed inside of the mine (see Operating Ideas section of this issue, p. 126).

#### Service Building Is Brick

The service building, a 40x80-ft. two-story structure built of Speed-brick and including a basement, lives up to its name. The basement houses heavy supplies, the first floor the small supplies, storekeeper's office, general mine foreman's office, mine-rescue and firstaid room, lamphouse and miner's bathhouse having both lockers and baskets. The mining engineer has his office and workroom on the second floor. Caplamp equipment for the mine consists

of 225 lamps.

J. L. Hamilton, Uniontown, Pa., is manager of Northern Coal Mines for the Republic Steel Corp. and these northern mines include this new Republic mine in Kentucky. E. B. Winning, Cleveland, Ohio, now assistant to the vice president in charge of operations, looks after all mining for the corporation. He was manager of Northern Coal Mines during the planning and installation of Republic. At the Uniontown headquarters for Northern Coal Mines M. O. Evans is chief engineer; Clyde R. Weihe, mechanical engineer; and Leslie Bolender, electrical engineer.

F. L. Sanders is superintendent of Republic mine. John Coyer is mine foreman; W. D. Donaldson, assistant to Mr. Coyer; W. A. Eades, night foreman; Byron Coleman, master mechanic; George Eagle, cleaning-plant supervisor and outside electrician; B. A. Dickerson, storekeeper (mine supplies); and Edgar Elswick, mining engineer.



Holding down the chair is F. L. Sanders, Republic mine superintendent. Standing, left to right, are Ersel Ratliff, William A. Eades, H. C. Hatfield, Archie Simkins, A. C. Rudd and B. A. Dickerson. Mr. Dickerson is storekeeper and Mr. Eades is night foreman. The others are mine foremen-mechanical and are ready to go in on the second shift.



General Mine Foreman John Coyer is seated at the desk. Standing, left to right, are H. M. Whitaker, W. K. Donaldson, Ted Simpkins, John W. Clevinger, W. A. Waters and Edgar Elswick, Mr. Donaldson is assistant general mine foreman and Mr. Elswick is mining engineer. The others are mine foremen-mechanical who have just completed the



Day-shift maintenance crew: Shirley Smith (left), Otis Elswick, Ed Belcher, Byron Coleman and Stonewall Osborn. Mr. Coleman is chief electrician.

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# SHAKERS AND BELTS

# Permit Ross-Vein Mining at Westmoreland

Top Ross, 24 to 40 In. Thick, Worked by Belts Through Rock Holes From Bottom Ross—Shaker Conveyors Bring Coal Out of Chambers to Belts—Savings Include Sharp Reduction in Lifting of Bottom



How the belt line is anchored in the rock above the loading station.

By RALPH R. RICHART
Assistant Editor, Coal Age

SHAKERS and belt conveyors are making it possible to mine the thin Ross veins profitably at The Lehigh Valley Coal Co.'s Westmoreland colliery near West Wyoming, Luzerne County, Pa. Using shakers in the chambers and belts to carry the coal to the car-loading stations eliminates the need for blowing rock except on the motor roads. At present, 45 percent of the colliery's output comes from the thinnest veins.

Although mining operations at this property date back to 1890 the installation of shakers and belts to supplement conventional haulage equipment has given the colliery new life. Prior to trial of this scheme no work in the Top or Bottom Ross had been especially successful and these veins had always been bypassed for thicker ones. Experimental work paving the way for the introduction and extension



Belt drive placed on cribbing to get necessary height at Bottom Ross loading station.



Section of belt conveyor on 15-deg. pitch between the Top and Bottom Ross.

of mechanical mining began after the colliery closed in 1931. The first work involved the use of scrapers and undercutters. Later, shakers were tried as a supplement to the transportation system. When the colliery was reopened in 1934, shaking conveyors, as standard equipment, became a part of the mining operation in the Marcy vein. Thus the need for rail haulage in chambers began to be reduced.

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#### First Belt in 1939

At present, second mining is in progress in the Pittston or Six Foot vein and in the Marcy or Skidmore (3½ to 4 ft.). In both, shakers are used in the chambers as a supplement to the haulage system. First mining is being done in the Top Ross (24 to 40 in.) and in the Bottom Ross (24 to 30 in.), where both shakers and belts are used to decrease the need for rail haulage even more.

The first belt conveyor was installed in the summer of 1939 to gather from shakers already operating in the chambers. This belt, an 18-in.-wide unit 600 ft. long, was brought from the Exeter mine and installed with a 10-hp., drive. The success of this original belt conveyor led to the purchase of more and the colliery has standardized on Goodman 20-in. units powered with 15-hp. drives. These belts are extended in 300-ft. sections (600 ft. of belt) using 21-in. 6-ply 38-oz. Hewitt belts joined with Flexco No. 12 splices. Some of the units, operating with as many as five sections of belting, measure 1,500 ft. from head pulley to tail pulley.

The mining plan for the Top and Bottom Ross (Fig. 1) includes driving motor roads 12 ft. wide, taking coal and blowing enough rock to provide 6 ft. of clearance between the rail and any timbering overhead. This often means taking up as much as 3½ ft. of rock, always an expensive operation. At right angles to the motor road, and almost opposite one another, belt roads 16 to 18 ft. wide are driven on 300-ft. centers to a depth of 1,000 ft. Chambers 24 to 28 ft. wide are driven on 50-ft. centers between the belt roads. A reserve pillar of 60 to 100 ft. is left on either side of the motor road.

#### Shakers and Belts Cheaper

Credit for lowering the mining costs in this thin-vein work is due to the use of shakers in the chambers and the installation of belts operating in belt roads. Prior to the adoption of belts for haulage, it was necessary, to maintain output, to keep 12 to 13 gang-



Cars are topped before leaving the loading station.

ways driving at all times, in all of which bottom rock had to be blown for motor haulage. Installation of belts reduced the number of haulage roads for development to three to four at any one time. Eliminating the extra rock work, with the exception of the comparatively small amount on the motor roads, spelled the difference between being able to mine the thin veins profitably or bypassing them year

after year. Fig. 1 shows that with the conveyor system it is necessary to plan for a motor road only every 2,000 ft.

for a motor road only every 2,000 ft.

The interval between the Top and Bottom Ross is 15 to 20 ft. and consequently it was decided to mine the Top Ross with conveyors and load the coal into cars in the Bottom Ross as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. After a territory in the Bottom Ross is worked out a rock hole is driven from the Bottom

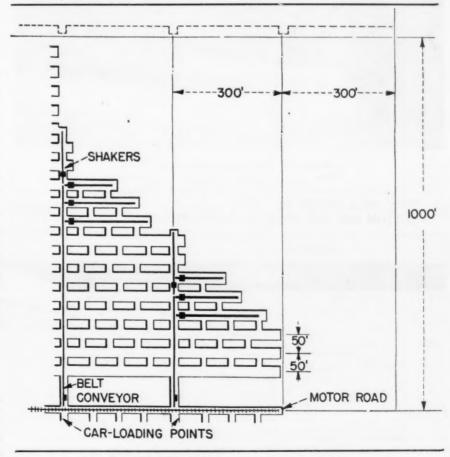
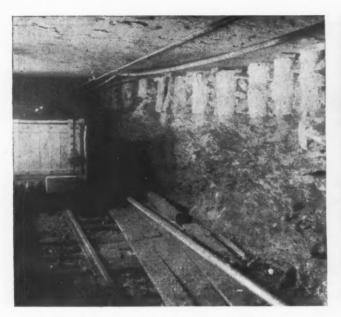


Fig. 1—Mining plan for the thin Ross veins makes use of shakers, belts and rail transportation.



As much as  $3\frac{1}{2}$  ft. of rock is removed to get clearance on the motor roads.



John Gamble, section foreman, has been with the company 25 years.



J. H. Haertter (left), superintendent, and Jacob Miller, inside foreman, discuss a problem.

Ross loading station up into the Top Ross on a pitch of 15 deg. Once in the Top Ross the belt road is advanced in the coal according to the usual plan. This makes it possible to work the Top Ross without the costly development of motor roads and doubles the life of each loading station in the lower vein.

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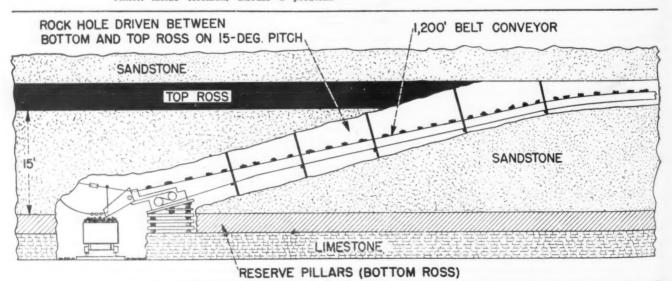
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#### Work Both Ways

This scheme lends itself to working the coal in both directions in the Top Ross. When the belt is transferred to the opposite side, the coal is discharged down through a vertical rock hole into the car below, as shown diagrammatically in Fig. 3.

Very little trouble is encountered



F.g. 2—After the Bottom Ross is worked the same loading station serves for mining the Top Ross.





Left: As many as four shakers discharge to one belt. Right: Considerable rock must be taken down to provide height at the Bottom Ross loading station.

in the operation of these conveyors as a result of the care with which each unit is installed. A special four-man crew takes care of setting all shaker and belt drives, extending all belts, rechecking the alignment and blocking of shakers and moving of all units from worked-out areas. In setting up, everything must line with the surveyors' spads, after which it is a question of good blocking. All units are either blocked level or blocked to an even grade, and all irregular sags and dips are avoided. Regardless of vein thickness the minimum height for conveyor erection and operation has been set at 30 in. One man is responsible for lubricating all conveyors and their

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In dismantling the shakers when a

chamber is finished the pans are moved back on the shaker and then are transported on the belt to the site of a new chamber or to the motor road and out of the territory.

#### Reverse Protection

All belts can be reversed to carry supplies into the mouths of the various chambers. To make the shakers inoperative while a belt is reversed a special transposition is made in the electrical control circuit of the shakers. As long as coal is being conveyed the positive lead of the control circuit for the shakers is attached to the positive brushholder of the motor driving the belt. To reverse the belt motor the polarity of the brushholders and arma-

ture circuit is reversed. This means that the polarity of the original positive brushholder now becomes negative and in turn the control circuit to the shakers is affected. This makes both sides of the control circuit negative for the shakers and therefore, with no difference of potential, the control circuit is inoperative until the belt motor is switched again for forward travel.

Some 60 shakers are in service in various veins at the colliery and include Vulcan Types ETO (7½ hp.) and ET1 (10 hp.) and Goodman Type E-11 (10 hp.) units. The special four-man crew sets each shaker drive and arranges the discharge end for dumping onto the belt conveyor. From there on the crew working the chamber adds the 10-ft. pan sections. The inby end

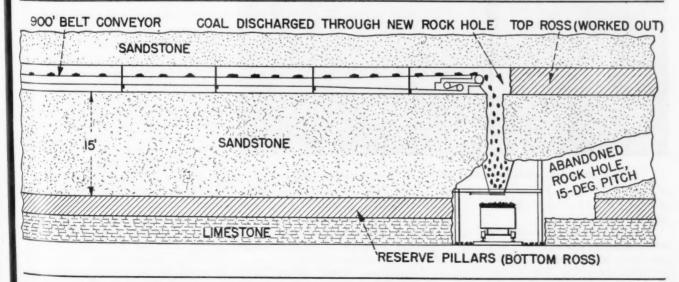


Fig. 3—The Top Ross is mined in both directions and loaded at the same point on the Bottom Ross level,



Coal is hand loaded onto the shaking conveyors.



Ralph Frost (left), electrician, poses with W. R. Thomas, outside foreman.

of the last pan section rides on a pile of loose coal and slides back and forth without any interference.

All coal is undercut except in places where there are too many sulphur balls, too much water and too much pitch to the seam. The shortwall cutting machines are Goodman Type 412 CA

or Jeffrey Type 35L and are equipped with 50-hp. d.c. motors and 6-ft. cutter bars. One machine serves two chambers. Drilling is done with Ingersoll-Rand Type JA 45 air drills using hollow-steel one-piece bits.

Chambers are mined 24 to 28 ft. wide by a four-man crew consisting of

a miner, two laborers and undercutter operator. A chamber in the Top Ross mined to a depth of 300 ft. lasts 20 to 24 working days on two-shift operation. When the face is undercut, only four holes are necessary: two top and two bottom. When the chambers are mined on the solid as many as 14 holes are required to blast down the coal. Three to four sticks of Hercules 4F permissible are used to each hole. Onshift shooting is permitted but no more than one to five delays are used in one series of blasting caps.

Accidents from falls at the face are very infrequent because of the rigid observance of rules for timbering. As the face is undercut, props are set behind the cutting machine as close as a foot to the face and are never spaced more than 6 ft. apart.

The officials of The Lehigh Valley Coal Co. with headquarters in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., are: L. R. Close, president; B. Henderson, vice president; K. F. Arbogast, general manager; Osborne Morgan, safety manager; H. W. Montz, mining engineer; Edgar Schweitzer, mechanical engineer; E. B. Wagner, electrical engineer, and J. H. Haertter, superintendent of Westmoreland colliery. The supervisors at the Westmoreland colliery, near West Wyoming, Pa., are: Jacob Miller, inside foreman; Ralph Frost, electrician; Howard Gromel, master mechanic; and W. R. Thomas, outside foreman.

# **COAL AGE ANNOUNCES**

# 1945

# Coal-for-Victory AWARDS

VICTORY IN EUROPE was a victory for mining, manufacturing and transportation in the United States. But a job as big or bigger lies ahead—Victory in Japan. Material requirements are little, if any, less. Coal requirements, for instance, are estimated at 605,000,000 tons of bituminous and 67,000,000 tons of anthracite in 1945, only  $2\frac{1}{2}$  percent under the 1944 goal of 691,000,000 tons.

Production of every possible pound of coal consequently remains the No. 1 job for the industry. For its devotion to that goal and for carrying on in the spirit that set new tonnage records in 1944 and brought "Coal-for-Victory" awards to 116 mines and collieries, coal again will prove its right to richly deserved recognition for a job well done.

The 1944 "Coal-for-Victory" awards are credited by both operators and the Solid Fuels Administration for War with having been a real spur to production and efficiency. Many operators have requested that they be repeated in 1945 and SFAW indorses this request. Therefore, Coal Age, with the support and cooperation of the Solid Fuels Administration for War, announces its

#### "1945 Coal-for-Victory Awards"

Every serialized mine in the United States that was open for production throughout 1944 and 1945 is eligible to qualify for these awards. To recognize meritorious achieve-

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### Victory Still Coal's Big Job



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Victory in Europe should not blind us to the fact that we still have a full-scale war to win in the Pacific. To back up that war effort to the utmost, coal in quantities scarcely less than the record-breaking tonnages of 1944 still is vital.

The task for 1945 is no little one and is complicated by continuing loss of manpower and other difficulties inherent in the fourth year of an unprecedented war job. But I am sure that the coal industry will again discharge its responsibility with the courage and patriotism it has shown in meeting all other tests since the war started.

Anything that will help stimulate production in this critical period in our military effort will help to bring victory that much quicker. Coal is vital and the

Solid Fuels Administration for War still believes that any plan that will help to get out the tonnage is worth supporting. The 1944 "Coal-for-Victory" awards, bringing well merited recognition to those mines contributing most to the war effort, were a real incentive to production. The 1945 awards should serve an equally valuable purpose.

C. J. POTTER

Deputy Solid Fuels Administrator for War

War Production
EFFICIENCY AWARD

COAL AGE Presents to the Officials and Employees of:

This certificate in honor of their outstanding contribution to the national war effort in the form of increased productive efficiency in 1945 above and beyond the average for the industry, thereby materially advancing the cause of victory for the United States and its Allies.

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Reproduced here is a facsimile of the "1945 War - Production - Efficiency" award to be presented to mines or collieries increasing their output per manshift by 5 percent or more. The certificates are the same size as last year, 11x14, although the design has been slightly altered. Both this certificate and the "Victory-Production" award on the opposite page will be in three colors.

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ment in the vital field of more efficient production as well as tonnage, any serialized mine otherwise qualifying under the rules is eligible for one or both of the following:

- 1. The "1945 War Production Efficiency Award" honoring significant increases in individual productivity with consequent improvement in ability to utilize available manpower better. This award is to be presented to mines or collieries increasing output per manshift 5 percent or more in the calendar year 1945 as compared with the calendar year 1944.
- 2. The "1945 Victory Production Award," to be presented to mines or collieries producing in 1945 a tonnage equal to or greater than in 1944.

The certificates to be awarded qualifying mines or collieries are reproduced elsewhere in this announcement. In addition, individual certificates attesting their part in reaching or exceeding the required efficiency and production goals will be awarded, upon request, to all members of the supervisory staff of each mine or colliery winning an award or awards. If the company operating a winning mine or colliery so desires, emblems for presentation to employees will be made available by *Coal Age*.

Coal Age again offers these "Coal-for-Victory" awards with two thoughts in mind:

- 1. Stimulation of vital coal production in this critical fourth year of the war.
- 2. Fitting recognition of exceptional contribution to the war effort by coal mines and collieries, their officials and their employees.

While the awards again are offered as a contribution toward winning the war, production and efficiency increases qualifying a mine or colliery for an award or awards will represent another solid investment for the peacetime future. More efficient production

The "1945 Victory Production" award shown here will be presented to qualifying mines or collieries which either reach or exceed last year's tonnage. In addition to the company awards, similar but smaller certificates will be awarded, on request, to the supervisory staffs of winning mines or collieries. Emblems presentation to employees of award winners also will be made available

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methods, greater use of machinery and better utilization of manpower build tonnage for victory and a more favorable competitive position in the years ahead. Output to meet every war and essential need remains the best means of insuring good will for coal and a higher standing with the public growing out of a job well done.

The men who operate the nation's mines and collieries are showing their determination to discharge to the fullest their war obligations. A little extra effort to raise productivity and tonnage will bring a "1945 Coal-for-Victory" award—and lick Japan that much sooner.

Additional copies of this award announcement will be supplied coal-company and mine officials upon request to Coal Age, 330 West 42d St., New York 18, N. Y.

# HOW YOUR OPERATION CAN WIN "1945 COAL-FOR-VICTORY AWARDS"

1. Any mine or colliery in the United States that has a War Production Board serial number and was open for production throughout the calendar years 1944 and 1945 is eligible to compete for 'the "1945 War-Production-Efficiency Award" or the "1945 Victory-Production Award" or both.

2. The "1945 War - Production - Efficiency Award" will be presented to any serialized mine or colliery otherwise qualifying that increases its output per manshift 5 percent or more in the calendar year 1945 as compared with the calendar year 1944. This award is intended to recognize outstanding achievement in increasing efficiency by the methods normally employed and judging shall not be alone on the results but also on how they were achieved. Mines filing for the "1945 War-Production-Efficiency Award," therefore, shall supply a statement outlining how the increase in output per manshift was attained and shall agree to supply, upon request, such additional information as may be required to permit a decision to be reached.

3. The "1945 Victory-Production Award" will be presented to any serialized mine or colliery otherwise qualifying if its coal production in the calendar year 1945 was equal to or more than its production in the calendar year 1944.

4. More than one mine or colliery operated by any one company is eligible for and may receive either or both awards if they otherwise qualify. The winning of an award, or awards, by one mine or colliery operated by a specific company shall not prevent another mine or colliery operated by the same company from also winning one or both awards if it otherwise qualifies.

5. The awards to mines or collieries will consist of certificates attesting their contribution to the 1945 war effort by meeting or bettering the

goals established. Individual certificates also will be awarded, upon request, to each member of the winning mine or colliery's supervisory staff attesting their contribution to the war effort as evidenced by an award to the mine or colliery. Should the operating company so decide, emblems for presentation to employees at winning mines or collieries will be made available by Coal Age.

6. Qualifications for the awards shall be judged on the basis of statements submitted by authorized officials of the companies operating the mines or collieries in question on official forms to be supplied by Coal Age. Statements must be completely filled out and must be filed on or before Feb. 10, 1946. Postmarks shall be the guide in judging acceptability under this restriction.

7. Coal Age reserves the right to request from appropriate government or other statistical agencies certification of production and other figures submitted by coal companies filing for an award or awards, and such companies shall agree that statements are submitted subject to such certification.

8. A board of judges nominated by Coal Age shall be the sole judges of the qualifications for awards and coal companies filing for the awards shall agree that their decision shall be final.

9. Realizing that changes arising out of the course of the war might materially alter conditions. Coal Age reserves the right, if in its judgment it should appear to be necessary, to modify the terms and conditions of the awards, adopt new terms and conditions to the extent necessary to permit giving proper recognition for meritorious work in supporting the war effort, or cancel the awards entirely.

10. Announcement of the awards will be made as soon as practicable after the final date for filing.

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# CHECKING MEN IN

# Speeded by Special Facilities at Summit

New Lamphouse and Check-In Station Includes Guide Fences and Time Clocks to Facilitate Starting Men Into Mine — Special Provisions Are Made to Advise Men When Their Places Are Not Ready

AMONG those organizations that have studied the problem of checking men in and getting them started into the mine with a minimum loss of time, milling around and uncertainty is the Alta Coal Division of the Southern Cotton Oil Co., operating the Summit mine at Sumiton, Ala. As a result of its investigations the management built a new lamphouse and check-in station to reduce confusion and speed the process of getting the men started to their working places.

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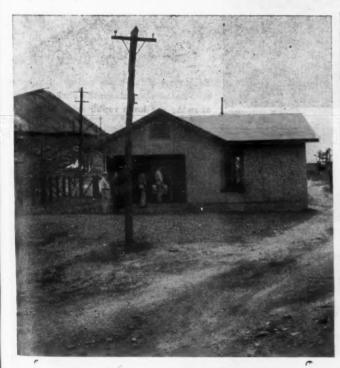
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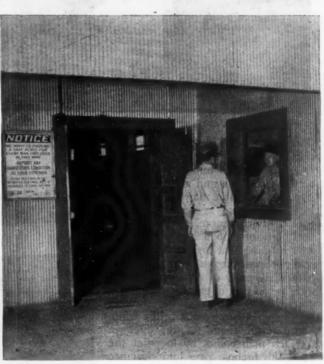
Summit mine recovers the 25-in. Black Creek seam in Walker County. The men enter and leave via the main slope, fitted for rope haulage for \$\frac{3}{4}\$ mile. Locomotives handle gathering and main-line haulage to the slope bottom. With some 270 employees, daily capacity of the mine is 550 tons,



Alta Coal Co. officials in front of the new lamp- and check-in-house. Left to right: A. C. Murray, superintendent; I. S. Gillespie, chief mining engineer (now with another company); J. K. Johnston, mine foreman; J. S. Edgil, chief electrician; and G. W. Moore.

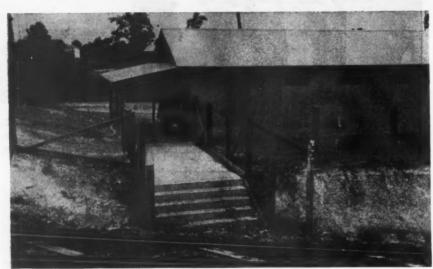


Men filing by the fireboss' window and into the lamphouse to check in. The house is between the road and the main slope.



Fireboss tells man that water in his place will keep him from checking in but that he will be able to go in the next day.





Fences direct the men to the track leading down the slope.

Showing the lamphouse location and fencing in relation to the main slope.

Back view of the lamp- and check-in house with bulletin boards on the back porch and showing the lamp repair wing at the left.

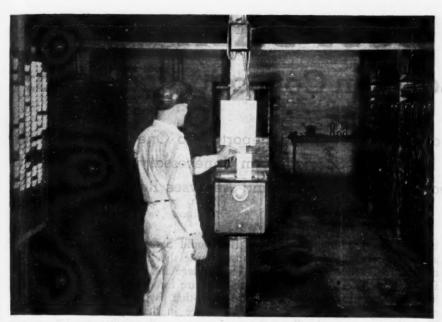
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working one full shift and one part shift.

To reduce to a minimum the time between check-in and actual entrance into the mine the new building was located as close as possible to the portal. Furthermore, to obviate the possibility of a man checking in and later learning that his place or section was not available for work, due to a natural difficulty or unsafe condition, such as bad roof or gas, the lamphouse porch has a window on the check-in side opening into a nook in the lamphouse repair room for the fireboss. As each man comes by to enter the door, this fireboss gives him clearance for his working place.

The lamp- and check-in house, as indicated in the accompanying illustrations, is located between the road





Checking in before taking the lamp from the self-service racks.

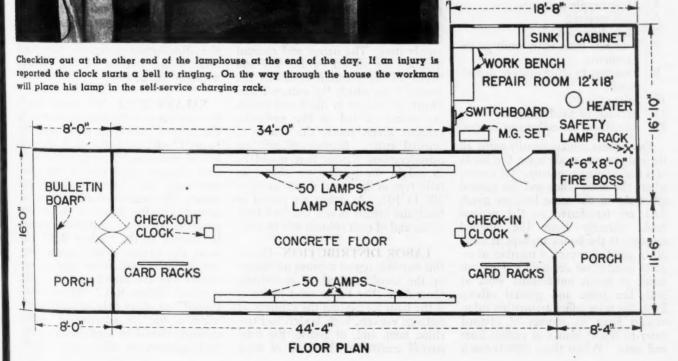
and the slope track leading down into the cut to the portal. Fences direct the men through the building and then from the back porch to the track serving the slope. The main room containing the lamps and time clocks is 16x44 ft. 4 in.; the repair room wing, 12x18 ft. and the fireboss' nook with window opening to the front porch, 42x8 ft. The rear porch, where the bulletin board is mounted, is 8x16 ft. Construction is wood framing with corrugated steel covering. Inside walls and ceilings are sealed.

#### Bell Signals Injury

Time clocks (International) include mechanisms and bells for reporting personal injuries. The bell continues to ring until the foreman or other official in charge of the lamphouse stops it. Thus, he is apprised immediately of the injury and can notify the company doctor or take other suitable action. Every man on the job-underground and outside-excepting mine officials and employees of the commissary, check in through this lamp-

Lamp equipment consists of 300 Wheat Model GW lamps with selfservice charging racks. The motorgenerator set and control board are in the repair room, which is stove-heated and includes a sink, work benches, cabinets and a safety-lamp rack.

Floor plan of self-service lamphouse and check-in station at Summit mine.



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# MONTHLY COST DATA

# Made More Usable in Consolidated Report

Consolidation of Mine Records and Reports Into One "Monthly Operating Report" Proposed - Special Form Unnecessary - Time Spent in Preparing Special Cost Statements and Analyses Reduced Materially

By JNO. C. McNEIL Certified Public Accountant Wheelwright, Ky.

THE IMPORTANCE of the local accountant in the average coal mine set-up is something too seldom appreciated. Many reports are required which entail considerable work in the mine office, and this work is repeated when the reports reach the principal offices. In many instances so many reports are required that an elaborate index is necessary.

Normally there are only twelve sources for all entries upon the books of any mining company, whether it operates one mine or twenty. These

- 1. Payroll earnings, or labor distribution.
- 2. Salaries.
- 3. Collections from employees over payrolls.
- Purchase records.
- 5. Mine supply accounts.
- Cash received.
- Cash disbursed.
- 8. Transfers from other units or de-
- partments.
  9. Transfers to other units or departments.
- 10. Sales records.
- 11. Accruals of fixed charges.
- 12. Journals of miscellaneous entries.

From these sources usually come all the entries ever made upon the books of a coal-mining company. Of course, where the mine office and the general office are in the same location much data are transferred to the general books directly from the original sources. If the books are kept at some other point, however, a number of reports usually are required. This can result in much unnecessary work at both the mine and general offices. First, the mine office transcribes information from its sources of original entry to report blanks of various hues and sizes. When these reports reach

the main office the information is again transcribed onto various kinds of records and then posted to books of final entry. These entries and reports have to be added and re-added and checked and re-checked for accuracy. Then the management calls on the accounting department for cost and statistical data, and these in turn are added and re-added and checked with the sources of entry at each point.

When a cost statement is wanted for one of the mines these myriads of entries necessitate an analysis of either the reports or the books, and this must be checked carefully to see that all items of cost are shown. The same thing is true if information is wanted on the operations of a store, etc.

It is my proposal that all of these records and reports be consolidated into a "Monthly Operating Report" which can be used as a report, as a posting medium and as the book of original entry. The idea for such a report is not original.

Elaborate special ruled forms are not necessary. The form used in illustrating this article is based on a 13column accountant's work sheet which can be purchased from any stationery supply store. The names and account numbers are shown on the left and twelve of the columns represent the sources from which the entries come. Debits are posted in black and credits are posted in red in the particular column which covers the source of original entry. Because of printing considerations, figures that would be in red in the original are shown in italic type in the report sheets on pages 106 to 109. As debits are posted in black and credits in red, the final total at the end of each column will be zero.

LABOR DISTRIBUTION-Use of this monthly report requires no change in the usual method of assembling these data. The tipple sheet naturally is the basis for posting the earnings of tonnage workers, both loaders and machine men, and, of course, the total payroll credits for this class of work

should agree with the total of the tipple sheet. The same is true as to vardage and other allowances of every nature for dead work, driving entries or other payments based upon the advance in development. As to daily workers, colloquially termed "company men," it likewise is true that the total time shown on the payroll should agree with the time shown on timebooks, time sheets or clock cardswhichever is used.

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Regardless of the method now used to report these data to the main office, the items of expense have to be recapitulated and balanced with the payroll credits. It hardly is necessary to say that this should be balanced in both hours and money and by independent extensions. Of course, to know the labor costs this recapitulation has to be by accounts to reveal the labor costs on each class of work After this recapitulation is made the various items are posted in the "Labor Distribution" column, the various cost account items being debited in black ink and "Accrued Payrolls," or whatever title is given the account, credited in red ink (italic figures in the illustration with this article). If the distribution balances, the final total at the bottom of the column naturally will be zero.

SALARY ROLL-It is pretty much the practice to keep salaries apart from the general payroll on what amounts to a "Confidential Payroll." Regardless of where and how they are kept, such expenses are a part of the mine costs and have to be distributed among the mine operating expenses according to the nature of the service rendered. Such distribution should be entered in the "Salary Roll" column, the various debits spread over the operating and other expense accounts and the credit posted to the credit of "Salary Roll," "Confidential Payroll" or other title indicating the balances due for salaries. The two accounts should be kept separate. Unpaid balances in either account, of course, should be transferred to an "Unclaimed Wage" account, according to the practice of the company.

PAYROLL COLLECTIONS-Deductions from miners' earnings for rent, lights, advances in merchandise and other usual deductions made over the payrolls should be summarized and posted in this column. Collections made from the salary payroll also can be summarized and included here, debiting "Accrued Payrolls" for the total collections from the payroll and "Accrued Salaries" (or "Confidential Payroll") for that portion. As illustrated, the various earnings and credit accounts affected are credited and the payroll accounts debited.

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Some companies issue scrip, in which event the scrip account would be credited with the amount issued over the payroll. Other companies run charge accounts, issuing credit authorization to the store department, and in this case the charges from the tickets turned in by the store would be entered on the payroll and the credits would be to the merchandise sales accounts. Others issue advances in cash, in which case the "Cash Issued," or other title used, would receive the credit.

PURCHASE RECORD - There are many variations in handling coalcompany purchases. Mostly, the invoices are sent to the general office for credit and payment. When a company operates several mines the dis-tribution of such invoices involves much work and a complete cost statement is impossible until the records

have been posted and balanced. Vendors' invoices are paid when the mine official charged with approving them passes on them. Sometimes they are approved and sent to the general office for entry and payment. In other cases, receiving reports are made out showing the receipt of the material and are matched with the vendor's invoice before entry is made upon the books. Regardless of the method used, it is the mine office that indicates the proper account to which this invoice should be charged. For proper record, it is essential that the invoices be sent to the general office with a letter of transmittal itemizing the invoices by dates, names of vendors and amounts. Only thus can any record be kept of invoices.

With a little additional work, the account number to which the particular invoice is to be charged can be entered on the letter of transmittal. By summarizing these transmittal letters at the close of each month, the mine office will have a complete sum-

mary of the invoices approved and submitted to the general office for entry and payment. This summary should be posted in the purchase record column, debiting the various accounts and crediting some clearing account, such as "Mine Office Vendors' Invoices" or other title. Then, when the general office vouchers the invoices for payment, the debits can be made to this clearing account instead of to many expense or merchandise accounts.

This procedure, of course, will do away with the analysis of purchase accounts in the general office to determine costs and other data. They already will have been analyzed and posted in the mine office record. Inasmuch as the invoices themselves have been listed on letters of transmittal, the total of the general office debit should agree exactly with the mine office credit and thus "wash out" the clearing account set up in the "Monthly Operating Report." The saving in time in this alone will more than pay the extra cost of this "Monthly Operating Report" form.

MINE SUPPLIES-It is assumed that the company operates a supply house and issues materials on properly approved requisitions. The important thing is to record the materials received, materials issued and the average price per unit. The requisitions should be priced and extended daily and arranged in account-number order. An adding machine tape listing the account numbers should be stapled securely to each requisition. The amounts from this tape should be posted daily to a work sheet showing the various account numbers. At the close of the month this work sheet should be added and summarized. The figures from this summary should be posted in the "Monthly Operating Report" to the debit of the various accounts affected, crediting "Mine Supply Account." This column will likewise work out to the zero.

The "Mine Supply Account" will be debited with receipts through the "Purchase Record" column and credited with issues through the "Mine Supply" column. The cost of labor for the supply warehouse will be debited to the "Mine Supply Account" from the "Labor Distribution" column, and any other items affecting the mine supply account will be posted from the other columns so the mine office will have a complete picture of the "Mine Supply Account" in one place, and only one place—the "Mine Supply Account" item in the "Monthly Operating Report." Elaborate detailed analyses to determine the status of mine supplies are unnecessary.

CASH RECEIVED-Little explanation of this account is necessary. It is obvious that cash receipts will be posted to the credit of the accounts affected by the receipts during the month. These receipts should be de-posited daily or weekly, depending These receipts should be deupon circumstances, intact, without any deduction or disbursement. By so doing all receipts can be traced into The month's receipts the bank. should agree with the month's bank deposits after considering, of course, items that lap over into the next month because it would not be possible to deposit the last day's receipts on the last day of the month. Payments of any nature should be made out of the "Mine Manager's Working Fund" or the "Petty Cash Account, which will be explained under the caption "Cash Disbursed."

CASH DISBURSED-This term has reference to payments made by the mine office. A bank account should be established as the "Mine Manager's Working Fund," or some other title, and payments out of this account should be made by check bearing the duly authorized signature or signatures. This fund should be established as an "imprest fund" with a fixed balance to be determined by the proper executive officers of the company. Weekly reports should be made to the general office of all disbursements so that the fund can be replenished. Entries in the "Cash Disbursed" column, debiting the various accounts and crediting the working fund, should be made from the summary of the cash disbursement book.

Payments of every kind, even payroll advances, should be made by check. A "Petty Cash Fund" should be set up with the cashier or other person, out of which small payments, such as postage, etc., can be made. Every disbursement out of the "Petty Cash Fund" should be supported by a "Petty Cash Voucher" properly approved. This fund also should be handled as an "imprest fund," which should be reimbursed from time to time so that it always will be the same. The cashier should be required to have this "Petty Cash Fund" in cash and properly approved petty cash vouchers at all times.

INTERPLANT TRANSFERS, IN-COMING-A company having several mines will find it necessary to transfer materials, merchandise and equipment from one mine to another. This material should be moved on a transfer bill, properly authorized. The account will be quite active with some

# How Operating Report Is Set Up in Mine Office

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Sales Commissions	Sales Commissi	Ons.								36907.89					36907 89
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TOTAL 66 SALES	TOTAL 66	SALES						*********							38426.79
FIXED CHARGES Royalty	Royalty	ES											15480.00	:	15480.00
Depreciation.	Depreciation.	Towns											15698.40		15698.40
Unemployment Ins. T.	Unemployment	Ins. Taxes.											4892.16	: :	4892.16
Fire Insurance	Fire Insurance												1526.80		1526.80 396.40
Workmen's Co	Workmen's Co	mpensation Costs											5289.64		5289.64
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TENEMENT EXPENSE	ENEMENT E	r and Supplies	262.96	250.00			126.22								639.18
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Taxes.	Taxes.												125.93		125.93
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CLUBHOUSE OPERATION	LUBHOUSE	OPERATION													
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Light, Heat & Taxes	Light, Heat & Taxes	Power.	:::										52.00	485.60	485.60 52.00
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companies and inactive with others. If, for example, a company has five separate operations, "Operating Clearing Accounts" should be set up in each "Monthly Operation Report" as follows:

Operation Clearing A/C No. 1, etc. To illustrate the handling of such transfers, say Mine No. 1 has transferred \$500 worth of materials to Mine No. 5. The "Monthly Operating Report" of Mine No. 1 will then include an entry charging "Operation Clearing A/C No. 5" with the \$500 and crediting the various items of expense, mine supplies or others as necessary. The contra entry will appear on the "Monthly Operating Report" for Mine No. 5 debiting \$500 to the appropriate accounts and crediting "Operation Clearing A/C No. 1" with the same amount.

These "Operation Clearing Accounts" will wash each other out on the general books and leave the debits and credits in the appropriate expense and other accounts of the various operations affected. These transfers can be made and accounted for between the operations affected without requiring any bookkeeping on the part of the general office, and yet the results will finally appear on the general books the same as though an elaborate set of bookkeeping entries had been made.

All incoming transfers between operations should be handled through this column.

**INTERPLANT** TRANSFERS. OUTGOING-The remarks about incoming transfers apply with equal force to this column. The only reason for separating the two is to make the accounting less complicated, since there are certain transfers between the mines and the stores and the stores and the mines that will come up from time to time. It is immaterial through which of these accounts they are handled. However, to simplify the accounting it should be ruled that all issues of material of any kind from the stores should go through the warehouse. In other words, if material is wanted that is not in stock in the warehouse, the warehouse should ask the store for a transfer of the material. Thus, all supplies issued to the mine, regardless of the source, would be cleared through the "Mine Supply Account.'

SALES RECORDS—Some companies have their sales agents send orders to the mines priced; others unpriced so that coal sales are invoiced from the general office. There is no reason why the mine office should not make the invoices for the coal sales

too, since only a little additional work is required. The sales could be summarized and posted through this sales column, debiting "Accounts Receivable" and crediting the various "Coal Sales Accounts."

There are miscellaneous items of sales, such as supplies, electric current, etc., for which miscellaneous invoices are rendered. Such sales should not be included in general accounts receivable but should be charged to "Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable" and a ledger kept at the mines on such accounts.

A number of companies sell furniture, clothing and other material on what is generally called "Lease Accounts" (because of legal phraseology in the bill of sale), and these accounts should be handled in this manner. Merchandise sales would receive credit and "Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable" would be debited.

RESERVES—This column should take care of the monthly charges for depletion, taxes, insurance, compensation and any other fixed charges applicable to expenses. The general office should furnish the mine office with a schedule of such monthly charges and advise them of any changes. These items should be summarized monthly and the appropriate debits made to the expense accounts involved, with the contra credits to the proper reserve and accrual accounts.

JOURNALS-In all accounting work the necessity for adjustments often arises and, of course, these cannot be foreseen and provided for. For this reason the "Journal" column is pro-Appropriate journal vouchers should be drawn up for adjustments found necessary either by the mine office or the general office. Supporting papers authorizing or giving reasons for the adjustments should be attached to the journal vouchers. After the journal vouchers are summarized, appropriate debit and credit entries are made in this column. The journal vouchers themselves should be filed for future reference and proper approvals should be secured for each journal voucher before summarizing.

THE MONTHLY REPORT— Each of the columns referred to in the twelve preceding titles has the debits in black ink and the credits in red (*italic* figures in the illustration material), so that these columns add down to a zero balance. If there is a black or red figure left in the addition of any column, an error has been made and should be sought out and corrected before leaving the work. Each column coming down to zero will show that all the work is in balance. Then each line is added across the form and the net result—black or red—is entered in the "Grand Total" column. This column also should be added down to a zero balance. When this is done, all the accounting of every nature has been done in the mine office and the "Monthly Operating Report" becomes exactly what its title indicates. No other report is necessary.

This record can be handled in one of three ways. If it is desired to limit the responsibility of the mine office, the record itself can be sent to the general office. Or, it can be copied and sent there, or if they do not want to copy every figure or have the files filled with a lot of unnecessary figures a transcript can be made showing only the account names and numbers and the amount, debit or credit, in the "Grand Total" column.

Cost reports and analytical data of any kind can be taken from this "Monthly Operating Report" by any typist. If a cost report is wanted for the mine, the data are copied from the mine section showing the costs by accounts and sub-accounts with the totals already calculated. Labor and supplies can be separated by the typist as she goes along by proper manipulation of the adding machine.

Similarly, reports of operation of stores, clubhouses, tenements and any other statistical data needed merely require typing. No further analysis of any kind is necessary, since it already has been done in the process of posting the operating reports. Costs then are truly byproducts of posting.

This system is based upon the operation as the unit. If the operation has one mine, the system works. If there are two mines, all that is necessary is to add additional sheets, etc.

One result is a material reduction in the work in the general office, because in actual practice only a few ledger accounts are necessary and the entries are posted directly to the ledger without further journalization or copy-The writer was auditor of one coal company and secretary of another, keeping the two sets of general books in one office. We had 38 accounts on each general ledger, and the taking of the trial balance was a matter of 5 to 10 minutes each month, consisting merely of listing 38 items in "plus" or "minus" position on the adding machine. After listing the figures from the last page, we pushed the total key and got "00." Our accounting troubles were over until the next month.

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# The Foremen's Forum

# How to Combat Stopping Leaks In Sealed Area Around a Mine Fire

Pressures on Mine Fire Seals and Pillars Are So Severe That Both Inevitably Leak Unless Pressure Behind Them Is Braced by Admitting a Gassy Medium Through a Suitable Port

IN TWO previous articles\* have been set forth in detail respectively (1) three advantages of a large sealed fire area, all depending on the chemistry of its gases and (2) two advantages which were based on the physics of the fire; that is, on the contraction of the bases as the fire and its environing atmosphere cool. It remains to be explained how the largeness of the sealed area favors its control.

Though the mining public has been satisfied with the declaration "Make the seals tight," it is very clear that they cannot be made leak-free against the slowly but surely mounting differences of pressure that would be exerted if all of the stoppings, pillars, roofs and floors absolutely and entirely barred the passage of air. The long periods during which the sealed area, inclosure or enclave is cooling give the air plenty of time to wriggle its way through even the finest, longest and most tortuous of passages.

#### Can Pillars Stop Air?

Coal that can and does pass water through its crevices and interstices, making the mines wet, even before shooting and overstressing has weakened its structure, is expected by "wishful thinkers," even after its integrity has been destroyed by heavy shots and extensive mining, to resist the passage of air for days and weeks. They see water entering the mines from the surface and yet still believe that the pillars, roofs and floors of a much-mined area can be made airproof. No brattice or pillar will be leak-free. Therefore, some other form of control than the suppression of leakage is necessary and, with a large area, such a control can be established.

#### Restoring Inner Pressure

This can be done with a large sealed area (1) because, with such an area, the quantity of "gassy medium" or "gassy filler" (air or other gas mixture) needed to so restore the meager internal pressure that

it can cope with the imperious external pressure will be greatly reduced as the temperature at sealing will be lowered and the heat drop will be lessened and (2) because it enables the leakage to be so relocated that, when it occurs, it will do no harm. A single passage, well away from the fire, will admit air or let it out, so as to balance pressures without reviving smoldering embers. When the air or other medium is allowed to enter at a point remote from the fire, fresh air will not enter near the fire unless a draft of air past the fire is established and maintained.

#### Two Ways Available

Seeing that it is impossible to prevent air from forcing itself into the inclosure unless some other pressure-restoring gassy medium is provided, it would seem desirable (1) to use air and control its entrance so that it would do a minimum of harm or, (2) better yet, to use some gassy medium that would be less costly or even wholly inexpensive, even if not entirely chemically inert. A large area seems to offer possibilities that either of these two solutions could be made to give satisfactory results.

It remains, therefore, to be proved that to the earlier advantages specified may be added these further advantages that:

- (e) Largeness of area makes it possible to control the incoming pressure-restoring medium so (1) that it will all enter at a point or points remote from the area of disturbance around the fire; (2) that it will interpose itself behind the body of inert gas in the inclosure, pushing that gas forward as a shield between the air and the flame or hot embers and (3) that it will position itself as far as possible from the fire.
- (f) Largeness of area makes it possible to use air or other pressure-restoring medium that otherwise would be undesirable.

In relation to control feature (1), every fire is a source of atmospheric disturbance (see Fig. 1), especially in a pitching seam. The combustion gases, being hot, rise, travel to a high point where they are slowly cooled and then some of them, displaced by more recently heated gases, and by gravity, descend and return to the fire to be reheated and recirculated. The fire usually is located where there are roomand-pillar workings with standing pillars which provide channels for the air and gas so that the medium in the area is not merely disturbed but directed more or less into a course or courses. The disturbed area will be located mostly in the region above, and on, a level with the fire. fire thus creates in the sealed area what in the mine as a whole would be termed 'natural ventilation."

#### Enter in Static Air

These currents are provocative of fire revival, if on their journey they can pick up air that has been pushed into the inclosure by the pressure that is greater without than within that sealed area. This pushed in or so-called "inbreathed air" as it enters stands on the side lines waiting for just

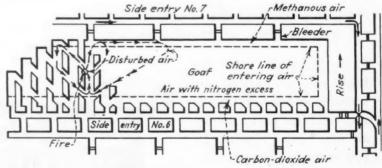


Fig. 1.—Note the air circulating around the fire, impelled by its lightness after heating and by its coolness after it has lost heat to the pillars. In time, this movement decreases, for the fire gets cooler and the pillars get warmer.

<sup>\*</sup> See February, 1945, Coal Age, p. 124; May, p. 114.



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such a partner to waltz it around the circle and bring it back to the fire, unless indeed it is in so small a quantity that it can stay within a crosscut or room neck where it will be protected from this air erosion. But some will go through ribs, roof and floor, and this air will arrive where the mélée is at its height, and some possibly will be aspirated or drawn out from the room necks and crosscuts, though the speed of the currents may make this action negligible. Hence, if the air admitted in response to the unbalanced pressures enters the disturbed area, much of it will travel to the fire. This will be especially important if the air enters at the high side of the area.

If it enters, on the other hand, where the air is stagnant, it will stagnate also and remain around the point of entrance. With a small inclosure there is no purely static air. All of the air is moving. In a large enclave, there is a possibility of admitting air that will stay where it enters and merely equalize pressures without being introduced to the fire.

## Air Has Definite Limit

Yet despite all that has been said about air passing through barriers, it is important to recall that there is a definite limit to the quantity of air that will try to pass the barriers unless a current in, through and out of the sealed area is established. That quantity is based on (1) the volume of the inclosure, (2) the change in temperature, and (3) the quantity of moisture made and condensed, and this quantity will not be exceeded even if the resistance of pillars and stoppings is reduced, nor will it be much reduced by making pillars and stoppings tighter. It has been seen in the immediately foregoing article that if, in a big inclosed area, the same quantity of thermal units is shut in as in an inclosure of only one-fourth the size, the inbreathing with the larger enclave will be only 15 percent per unit of volume of what it would be for the smaller area, also per unit of volume. If then the volume of the larger area is four times as great as the volume of the smaller, the quantity of air admitted would be  $4 \times 15 = 60$  percent as much as with the smaller area.

However, not only will there be less air admitted but the effect also per cubic foot will be much less, because in the larger area the air admitted will be 2.70 percent of the entire volume and in the smaller area 18.19 percent. In the first case all the air might be so admitted that it would not approach the disturbed zone and in the other case it would be almost sure to invade that area, no matter what precautions were taken to avoid that misfortune

Here should be injected a word of caution. The assumption on which these calculations were made was that no section of the goaf would fail to participate in the cooling effect and in the consequent shrinkage. But it is easy to see that in a very large area, when the fire cools, some parts will not cool at all, for they have never been heated and therefore the atmosphere in them will not contract and adding such areas on to the original area cannot

increase or decrease the quantity of air pushed into the sealed area due to a fall in temperature and a consequent drop in internal pressure.

An important factor in preventing the air from getting to the fire is the nearness to the fire center of the air's entry to the sealed area. Given a large area with the unbalanced pressure within and without the area extending all over the immense periphery, more air will enter at a safe distance from the fire than with a small sealed area. The fixed limit to the possible admission of air is another important factor. In studies of mine-fire control, not enough stress has been laid on it. Tightness of stress has been laid on it. stoppings and pillars has been stressed, whereas the main requisite are: (1) to have less air disposed to enter the inclosure; (2) to have the area so large that the proportion of air admitted to the whole volume of the atmosphere inclosed will be small; (3) to have that air enter where it can do no harm, and (4) to have it enter so slowly as not to cause currents and to permit the air in the tightened goaf to travel along with air traveling where the goaf is not so tight.

### Speed, 0.01 In. per Minute

With an average temperature on sealing of 100 deg. F. over the entire area, with the area 300x1,000 ft. and the air traveling all over the cross-section of 300 ft. width, the average speed of travel of the air, if it took a month to lower the average temperature to 80 deg. F., would be almost exactly 0.01 in. per minute. It must be remembered, however, that there will be movements back and forth due to

changes in surface pressures and there will be some section of route between tight and loose goaf, though not much at any such slow speed. Obviously, such a speed will not create any disturbance and at such a speed, goaf, unless very heavily weighted, will pass air readily.

#### Most Tightly Near Face

The air tends to enter the inclosure at points near the fire rather than at more distant points. At points near the fire, not much roof usually has fallen to block the air and the distance the air will have to travel to restore pressure will be at a minimum. These nearer points need stopping first so as to make the fire "inbreathe" its air from the more distant parts of the proposed inclosure. They also might well be more deliberately stopped than those at a distant point or, better yet, an opening at A, distant from the fire, may be provided with a small pipe to serve as a port for the admission of air. The air is not trying to get at the fire; it is merely being forced in toward the lesser pressure. When enough has entered to raise that pressure to the pressure ruling outside the sealed area, its mission to equalize pressures will have been performed.

In fact, as the air will come only a certain definite portion of the way and stop like an ocean tide at a definite "shore," dependent on the ratio between the two volumes at sealing and after cooling respectively, it will be well to admit the air at a more distant point or points of the inclosure, so as to be sure that, when it enters and makes that quite definite advance, it will not reach the vital area of disturbance.

# A Man Hurt Is a Man Off the Job

With these days of drafts for war, present and past, it is well to remember that casualties of all kinds, whether on or off the job, deplete the working force, often of its most essential men. The draft boards may be induced to spare such key men, but casualties show no such discretional consideration. Little attention by industry is paid to off-the-job casualties. No one is "hauled over the coals" for them, so their frequency does not receive any attention, though they occur in great numbers just the same.

Discussing the experience of the Bethlehem Steel Co., P. C. Barthol, superintendent, safety and welfare, says in the National Safety News: "Over a period of 18 years, 312 of our employees died as a result of accidental injuries. Of these deaths, 133 occurred in the plant and 179, or 57½ percent, on the outside. The records also showed that, during the six-year period 1938-43, two and three-quarter times as many employees were hurt off the job; twice as many were killed and nearly twice as many days were lost.

"As far back as 1913, the general manager and the superintendent of safety and welfare helped to organize the Lehigh Valley Safety Council," and "in January, 1943, a man was hired by the company to serve

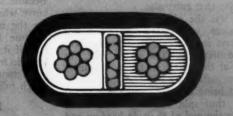
as secretary-manager of the Lehigh Valley Safety Council and devote practically his entire time to the prevention of off-the-job accidents." All this is an area where the Bethlehem Steel Co. is not the sole industrial project. With coal mines, the coal company is even more completely the endall and be-all of the community, and anything it does for safety should bring even greater benefits to the company in its train, if the service can be made as effective.

Community health is equally important, because the employee who is sick is sure to absent himself, and if his wife or child is sick, he is likely to be at least tardy in attendance, if not altogether absent. A tardy man, in most instances, does not report at the mine at all. Whether men are few or plentiful, absenteeism always is embarrassing. A mine without absenteeism would, in every run, have the needed man for every job, the needed miners to supply coal for every locomotive, full crews for every loading machine. An air of wellbeing would pervade the camp, and a lessened drain would be laid on the doctor and hospitalization funds. Some companies have installed a nursing service, but still more important is it to distribute good advice on the manner in which health can be maintained.



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# State-Board Questions

# Fireboss, Indiana

Q.—What is an overcast?

A.—An overcast is an "air bridge" with supports and ramped approaches at either end. It carries the air from one mine heading up and over another mine heading, usually lying at right angles to it, so that the air going over the bridge cannot join the air current in the heading thus crossed.

Thus, if the overcast serves a side heading, it compels the air when it leaves that heading to go direct to the return of the main heading, taking with it all the impurities it has picked up on its way. If, on the other hand, overcasts serve the air of the return heading of the main entry, they make that air pass over the roadways of the several side entries, so that the return of the main entry will not mingle with the fresh air going into those side entries.

#### A Costly, Ineffective Way

A clearer understanding of the overcast can be furnished by stating that in earlier years the usual method of ventilating a side heading was by erecting a door in the main heading between the intake and return of the side heading, so as to cut off, or at least baffle, the air current in the main heading and thus force the air to detour into the side heading. after passing to the end of the side heading, would be returned by a parallel heading to the point on the other side of the door, where it would turn and travel up the main heading to the next side There a door similarly located would divert the current and make the air travel into that entry also.

That was the old way, suited only to small mines, very costly, very inefficient and always ineffective. The present way is to use overcasts. The air is "split," or divided, at the mouth of the side heading into two parts, part going straight ahead and part being diverted to the side entry. The air thus split off the main current travels to the end of the side heading and returns to the main heading, as it did when a door was used, but at the main heading it passes over the bridge of the overcast and so reaches a crosscut, through which it passes to the return of the main heading.

Thus, enough air is diverted to satisfy the needs of the side heading without having to carry the rest of the air into that side entry and back again and without having to make it travel not only into this one side entry but, as often happened, into every side entry in every part of the mine. The newer system, in which overcasts are used, saves power in the ventilation of the mine, because the air does not travel so far and so is not exposed to as much resistance as before. Each split of air travels only the length of a single side heading and then doubles on itself again.

O.—How do overcasts aid haulage?

A.—By eliminating doors. With an overcast, trips can go ahead without waiting for doors to be opened. If a trapper is not employed, the delay is considerable, for the door also has to be closed. In addition, more power is needed, because trips have to be started and stopped. Accidents occur also when trip riders run ahead to open doors or when they run to catch a trip after closing the door behind them.

# Mine Foremen, West Virginia

Q.-List some unsafe haulage practices.

A.—This question apparently does not refer to track or heading construction but to misuse of provided facilities, nor does it refer to face placement of cars.

(1) Making Flying Switches-This operation consists of pushing cars at a high speed over a switch and throwing the switch between two units in the trip, so that some or all of the cars travel along one track and the locomotive or certain other cars travel on the other track. This practice is dangerous: (a) Because the switch has to be thrown in an extremely short time and may not be thrown with sufficient speed to make the realignment of the rails perfect before the car wheels that have to be diverted arrive at the switch points. If the switch is not com-pletely thrown when the wheels to be switched arrive, the cars will be derailed. (b) Because this speed in throwing the switch may injure the thrower. (c) Because the cars are pushed, not pulled, and therefore are likely to leave the track. (d) Because some of the cars have to travel a curve when being pushed and accordingly are the more likely to be derailed. (e) Because the motorman, in pushing his trip, if it is a loaded trip, will have high loads in front of him and cannot see where he is going. See comment on trip pushing which follows, Section 2.

#### Pulls In, Pushes Off

(2) Pushing Trips—This is a practice which should be avoided as far as possible; because a pushed trip is likely to bind on the track, especially if it is an empty-trip and is traveling on a curved track or at switches. If a wheel of a pushed car ceases to be held in place by the rail on which it is running and leaves the track, the pushing of the car will force the wheel

farther off the rail and result in a complete derailment, whereas if the car is pulled, the more it is pulled, the more nearly will the wheel and the car be dragged back into line. Pulling favors rerailing; pushing causes derailing.

So much for the preliminary derailment; what follows is (1) with car pushing, a buckling of the trip into the rib, and (2) with car pulling, usually merely a bumping of the wheels over the ties without any real damage and with only a few cars derailed. Especially is car pushing dangerous where the track is not clean but is covered with coal which has fallen from the cars.

#### Running Blind

As already stated, pushed trips are dangerous, because the cars, when heavily topped, decrease visibility, and the motorman accordingly may run his trip into a standing trip, into incompletely cleared cars or trips, into cars running wild, into fallen rock or into ill-placed piles of posts, rails or pipe, or even into men, and may not see tail lights, reflector buttons or other signals as soon as he should.

The practice of pushing trips also endangers men traveling along the heading, especially if the outside of the curve is on the so-called "safety side," along which such pedestrians are accustomed to travel. It also jeopardizes the motorman and the trip runner. It may cause only a derailment, but the derailment that follows may result in a hernia or a sacro-iliac strain, when men overstress their muscles in their efforts to put the cars back on the track.

And again the derailment may bring down posts, crossbars, lagging and rock, with the result that men are killed by the falls thus occasioned or by an ignition of the coal dust thus thrown into the air.



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great increase in safety.

(3) Riding Pushed Trips—Empty cars are so light that they are quite likely to be derailed and the men spilled out.

#### Sprinter Sprawls

(4) Running Ahead of a Trip to Throw Switches or Open Doors is a likely source of accident. The only good sprintexcluding anyone, and several men will avail themselves of the opportunity and assume the risk, crowding and thus endangering the triprider, who must always ride on one of the two perilous outside positions, for he has to be where he easily can get on and off to perform his duties. As he is obliged to find a place on the trip and as he usually has the experience that will enable him to ride on the locomotive with a degree of safety, he only

forbidden to all but the regular triprider and the motorman, the latter having a seat in the cab, but the practice of promiscuous riding still persists nevertheless.

riding still persists nevertheless.

(6) Climbing or Jumping From Car to Car While Trip Is in Motion—Contact with the roof may injure head and spine; contact with the trolley wire may cause an electrocution.



Outrunning the trips to throw a switch or open a door.

ing track is along the center of the roadway. Almost fortunately, it sometimes is not so good, and then there is less risk that such sprinting will be attempted. The motorman perhaps has a heavy trip, and the track center is such as to invite sprinting; accordingly the triprider takes a chance and falls in front of the locomotive. He may trip at a switch, a frog, a guard, or other rail and, if the three former are not blocked, his foot may be held by one or other of them as in a vise.

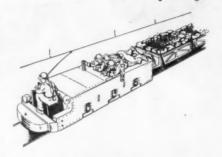
In consequence, it will be his last day's work, for, with the locomotive loaded nearly to capacity, it is not easy, or indeed possible, to stop promptly if an accident looms. Young men like to demonstrate their agility and their power to do the "impossible," but such sprinting should be strictly forbidden.

Saving a single fatal accident would well pay for the services of a trapper or switch thrower, still more for the cost of purchase and installation of an automatic door. Avoidance of a single fatal accident would compensate also for the time and tonnage lost by having the heavy trip stop and start when the switch is to be thrown or the door opened or closed. Too often the trip is so heavy that both motorman and manager want the triprider to throw the switch without any delay to the locomotive, for if stopped the locomotive may not be able to start, because of an adverse gradient or an excessive draft of power on an electric cable already overloaded.

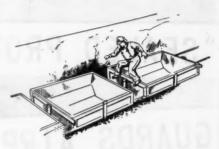
#### Stealing a Ride

(5) Riding on a Locomotive—The locomotive is not always provided with hand holds and those provided do not always furnish adequate protection; accordingly it is perilous to ride on its smooth surface, especially when it is rounding corners or negotiating a bad track joint. With a pushed trip, riders on the locomotive also obstruct the view of the motorman, who might otherwise see a stalled trip ahead or a fall of rock on the track and take action accordingly. When only one man rides on the locomotive covers, he has a better opportunity to brace himself, but if one man other than the triprider "steals a ride," it is difficult to find a reason for

should be allowed to travel on the locomotive covers. Of course, trip riding is



Lying like cordwood on the slippery covers of  $\alpha$  mine locomotive.



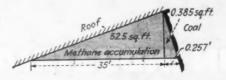
Jumping from car to car to reach front car of speeding trip.

(7) Riding Between Cars—This act may be a man's last, should there be a derailment. Men thus riding frequently fall between cars and are killed, because of their inadequate foothold on the narrow car bumpers. Moreover, one bumper may ride another and the doors of the cars may swing and dislodge the riders, who also may sit on the car end and collide with the roof or may crouch and so fall or overbalance. Tripriders should get inside the car, if empty, when the trip is not moving and remain in the car until the trip stops.

# Mine Manager, First Class, Illinois

Q.—If you found the methane at the working face extended down 3 ft. from the roof and tapered out 35 ft. from that face, how many cubic feet are there in the room if it is 20 ft. wide?

A .- Roughly the cross-section of the methane accumulation along a line at right angles to the face will be one-half 3 × 35 ft. = 0.5 (105) = 52.5 sq.ft. As the distance from rib to rib is 20 ft., the volume of methane will be  $52.5 \times 20 = 1,050$ cu.ft. This assumes that methane accumulation rests perfectly level on the air below it. Strictly speaking, as the roof rises 3 ft. in 35 and as the coal face is supposed to be at right angles to it, the coal will pitch forward (see illustration) 3 ft. in 35 ft. or 0.08571 ft. per foot. As the depth of the methane is 3 ft. at the face, the coal will pitch fordward  $3 \times 0.08571$  in that distance = 0.25713; say 0.257 ft. The triangle thus formed will comprise  $0.257 \times 3$  $\div$  2 = 0.385 sq.ft. So the total cross-section will be 52.5 + 0.385 = 52.885sq.ft., and the volume will be 1,057.70



cu.ft., so as measurements of methane always are inexact, the previous answer, 1050 cu.ft., would be accurate enough. In the illustration the pitch of the room is much exaggerated and in making the calculations it is assumed that the measurements of the depth and length of the methane accumulation is taken as an engineer might measure them on the vertical and on the horizontal projection respectively.

O.—How many cubic feet are there in an entry 5 ft. high, 12 ft. wide and 2,000 ft. long?

A.— $5 \times 12 \times 2,000 = 120,000$  cu.ft.

Q.—How many square feet of rubbing surface in the above heading?

A.— $(5 \times 2 + 12 \times 2)2,000$ =  $34 \times 2,000$ = 68,000 sq.ft.

Q.—It was found that in an airway 6 ft. high and 10 ft. wide smoke was traveling at a speed of 336 ft. per minute; what quantity of air was passing in that airway per minute?

A.—Cross-section—6×10 ft.—60 cu.ft.

Quantity of air passing per minute

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=60 × 336 = 20,160 cu.ft. per minute.

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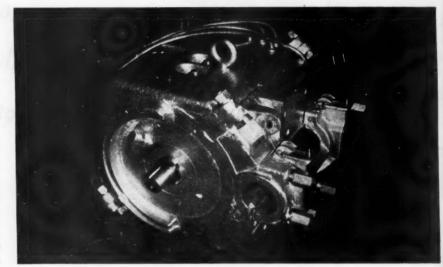
# Operating Ideas

# Paint Aids Motor Installation

GIVING THE MOTOR a coat of aluminum paint before it leaves the repair center helps the mechanics at the colliery do a better installation job, says Johnstone Campbell, superintendent of the Drifton shop of The Lehigh Valley Coal Co., Drifton, Pa.

"In overhauling a motor, such as shown in the accompanying illustration, all worn parts are are welded with steel so hard that it is not easy to machine. Tough steel bolts are installed and where required the bolt heads are made longer than standard to help the mechanics in the installation. The motors are machined to close tolerances. The electric parts are thoroughly inspected and repaired. When completed, we believe we have a motor that is an improvement over the original.

"Then, to help the mechanics do the assembling, we spray the motors with a coat of aluminum paint which improves the visibility in the pits where the mine mechanics are working."



Every motor is given a coat of paint before it is returned to the colliery.

# Portable Metal Saw Roams Machine Shop

A METAL-CUTTING band saw speeds up shop work and requires little attention, says William Rohland, machine-shop foreman, Jeddo shop, Jeddo-Highland Coal Co., Jeddo, Pa.

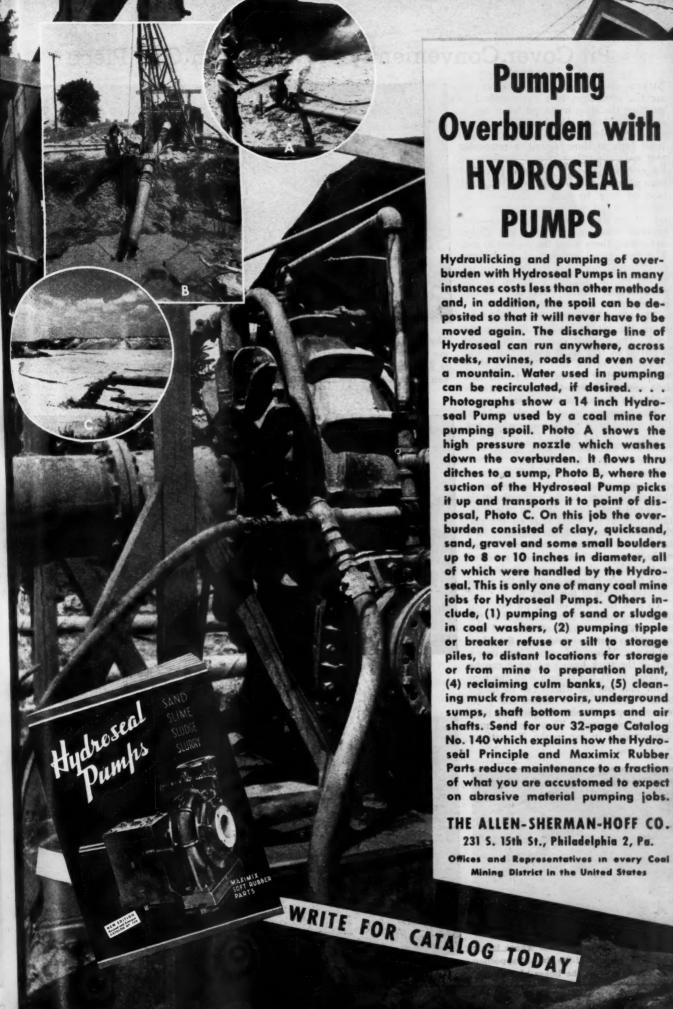
The Johnson portable metal-cutting band saw, shown in the accompanying illustrations, is used wherever most needed in the machine shop. The machine will accommodate work up to 10 in. in diam-

eter and can even be moved to cut something that may be hanging from the shop crane. Equipped with a hydraulic feed and four cutting speeds, the saw may be used on any metal from aluminum to steel.





Left: Continuous cutting operation saves mechanic's time. Right: Portable saw used about the entire shop.



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# Pit Cover Conveniently Moved Off in One Piece

SAFETY, convenience, and ease of removal are the advantages of a new method of guarding the shop repair pit when not in use at the Arista (W. Va.) operation of the Weyanoke Coal & Coke Co. Objections such as those against a removable post and chain railing formerly used are no longer valid. That earlier method blocked from use a considerable floor space, caused men to have to walk farther—that is, around the pit when crossing from one side of the shop room to the other—and required handling the posts and chains and storing them when the pit was in use. The new guard consists of a platform cover that allows use of the floor space occupied by the pit, yet is moved in one piece without manual lifting and without the use of an overhead crane.

The cover, 21 ft. long, is removed from above the pit by pulling it along the track. During that operation its weight is carried by four small wheels that travel on the tops of the rails. Normally these wheels and their stub axles are folded back into recesses where they are practically flush with the top of the cover.

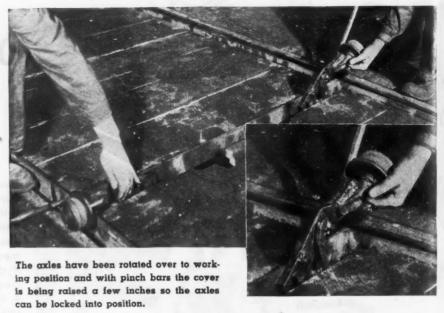
This cover consists of cross planks 1½ in. thick bolted to 3x3x¾-in. angles which rest on top of the rail bases. The series of illustrations includes the steps necessary to remove the cover from the pit.

Two men usually do the job and it requires only about 1½ minutes, including their stepping over to the wall and getting two small pinch bars. After an axle is rotated over so its wheel rests on the rail, the point of the pinch bar is inserted in a hole in the angle-iron side frame. Then while the cover is pried up a hook mounted on the axle is clipped over a stud. This holds the axle in place, making the wheel carry the weight of the cover.

To slide the cover off the pit two men use pulling handles that are hinged to the cover. These are made of \( \frac{3}{8} \)-in. rod and arranged so that they fold down flat when not in use. When the cover is back over a part of the track having no pit it can be let down so its top is flush with the tops of the rails and the wheels can be folded back, if desired. R. W. Evans and J. R. Stover, shop mechanics, designed and built the new pit cover. They are the men demonstrating its use in the illustrations.



Pit is covered by a platform whose top is flush with the tops of the rails. Supporting side frames rest on the bases of the rails.



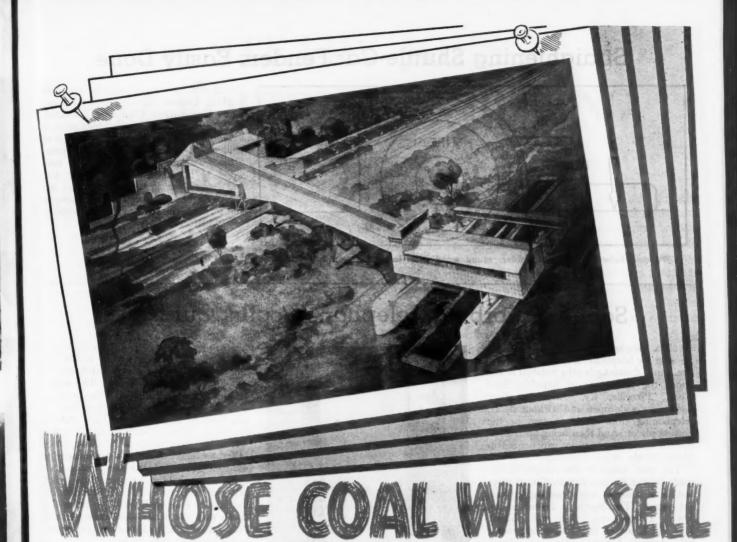


Using the handles to pull the cover from the pit and move it to another section of the shop track.



Pit opened and its cover out of the way between rails in the background.

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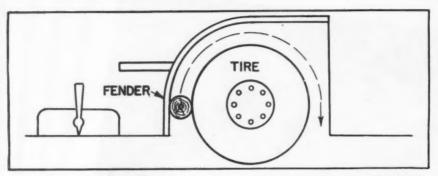
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# Straightening Shuttle-Car Fenders Easily Done



Working between tire and fender, round wood roller takes dents out of fenders.

DESCRIBING IT as a practical every-day method, Thomas Jones Jr., head mechanic, Knox Consolidated Coal Corp., Bicknell, Ind., submits the following description of a method of rolling out bent shuttle-car fenders. "I have found," says Mr. Jones, "that by taking a round piece of hardwood 3½ in. in diameter and 3 ft. long and inserting it between the fender and the tire, then moving the car backward and forward, the fenders can be smoothed out to perfection."

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# Sound-Absorbing Telephone Booths Cut Noise

EVEN A VICTIM of claustrophobia should be able to telephone with comfort from the sound-absorbing booths installed in and about the new mine of Republic Steel Corp., Pikeville, Ky. Although these booths are wide open and without doors, telephoning from them is easy in the noisiest places. And their being open eliminates the sweating sessions experienced in phone booths in hot buildings.

The unit, which is the Acousti-Booth, made by the Burgess Battery Co., is shipped in a compact crate containing four flat pieces. The booth is assembled by driving a few screws. The walls, about 2 in. thick, are of sound-absorbing materials bound between plywood sheets punched full of small holes.

One booth is installed in the tipple, another in the headhouse and two underground at points where cross belts dis-



charge to the main belt. In the tipple, the operation of vibrating screens makes it a noisy place but there is no difficulty in talking from the open booth. The underground booths are installed close to where the belt operators stand so that they do not have to step far from their stations to phone. Without such booths it is not unusual in some mines to see conveyors or other machinery shut down temporarily so someone can hear better over a phone.

Privacy in holding a conversation is not materially affected by the lack of a door on the booth. One would have to be in the booth with the person telephoning to understand what he said into the transmitter in talking in an ordinary tone.

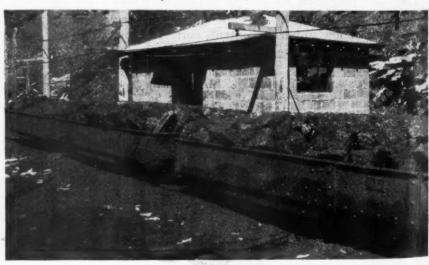
George Eagle, cleaning-plant supervisor, using the new booth in the tipple.

# New Cars Among Haulage Improvements at Arista

OFFICIALS of the Weyanoke Coal & Coke Co., Arista, W. Va., give large credit to improvements in haulage for the increased output of 1944 which earned for the mine the Coal Age "War Production Efficiency" and "Victory Coal Production" awards. Scheduling of trips was inaugurated, trackage was improved by better drainage, a bypass was installed on the main line and the d.c. voltage improved by adding a 150-kw. substation unit. Fifty new steel cars carrying 4½ tons (hand loaded) and replacing some of the old 2-ton wooden cars, contributed some toward the increase although received late in the year.

The illustrations show these new cars in action on the main haul approach to the tipple. Specifications of these cars, made by

the American Car & Foundry Co., include the following: lift endgate type; watertevel capacity, 107 cu.tt.; height above rail, 26 in.; stub axles, 14-in. wheels, Timken bearings, gage, 56½ in.; length over all, 12 ft. 8 in.; width over all, 6 ft. 7 in.; and wheelbase, 40 in. The trip pictured is being pulled by a Jeffrey 10-ton locomotive.



The new cars, 107 cu.ft. and 26 in. high, are hand loaded to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  tons.

# STEADY JOBS and EQUIPMENT BUYING

**YUSTAINED** employment is not an attainable goal unless we can moderate the erratic fluctuations which have characterized the markets for producers' equipment in past periods.

In the 35th editorial of this series, "Sustained Construction Activity", it was pointed out that there is no specific that can cure our economy of its "boom-or-bust" proclivities. Rejecting the notion that the construction industry could be so managed as to stabilize business as a whole, that editorial stressed the important contribution it could make to that end, and suggested several practical expedients through which construction activity might be

Producers' equipment represents an area of production quite as broad and diverse as construction, though smaller in aggregate value. The classification embraces all types of durable equipment bought and used for profit-locomotives, motor trucks, electric generators, conveyors, machine tools, farm implements, and so on down to surgical instruments and

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Although the output of such equipment averages over a long period only 5 or 6 per cent of the nation's total output, it resembles construction in its extraordinary ups and downs. While its component items differ widely in the amplitude and violence of their fluctuations, the class as a whole is one of the most unstable sectors of the economy, making therefore a quite disproportionate contribution to the cyclical swings of total production and employment. From 1929 to 1932, for example, the decline in the output of producers' equipment (at constant prices) was 65-70 per cent, in contrast to a decline of 25-30 per cent in the national output exclusive of such equipment and construction.

A more recent example of the volatility of demand in this field may be found in the movement of a monthly index of orders for industrial equipment, which rose from 92 in the spring of 1936 to 160 in the spring of 1937, falling thence to 65 in the summer of 1938 and rising again to 142 in the fall of 1939. Such fantastic oscillations present an obvious and inescapable challenge to all concerned with eco-

nomic stabilization.

Not only are these fluctuations bad for the economy; they represent demonstrably bad buying policy on the part of the purchasers of equipment. Peaks in demand come characteristically just before a business depression (1919, 1929, and 1937, for example)

when machinery costs the most to buy and install and when it has the lowest expectancy of continuous use. At exactly the wrong moment everyone wants to buy. In the depression itself, on the other hand, with costs down, and with nowhere for the economy to go but up, equipment is a drug on the market. No one wants it when it is cheap and has the greatest prospect for steady employment. Here is a behavior pattern so profoundly irrational there must be hope for its correction.

There is an inveterate tendency for business management to forecast the future simply by projecting the trends of immediate past. Although it is axiomatic that the chance for an extended period of further prosperity is inversely related to the duration of the prosperity already experienced, this truism is generally ignored. The longer the boom has run, the more certain is business management that it will continue indefinitely. Convinced at last by "actual experience" that prosperity is here to stay, executives give the green light to commitments for expansion and modernization previously deferred in a skeptical attitude of "wait and see". The result, so often repeated in our economic history, is an explosive burst of demand for equipment coincident with, and contributing to, the final spasm of a boom. Witness the phenomenal rise in industrial equipment orders during 1928 and the spring of

The same prophetic illusion works in reverse during a depression. Recent experience is projected into the future. Although the mathematical probability of an imminent and prolonged period of prosperity increases directly with the duration of a depression, it finds little reflection in business decisions. Timidity

and caution are the order of the day.

Compounding the errors caused by faulty perspective, are a number of influences which make it extremely difficult for individual enterprises to follow a policy geared to sensible long-term considerations. In a boom, particularly in its climactic phase, most producers find their order books crowded beyond the potential of their current capacities and are faced with the alternatives of expanding or losing trade to competitors. In depression the situation is reversed, and producers with unused facilities find it difficult to justify increases in their capital charges.

An even more controlling factor in many cases is the availability of funds. This is especially important for small concerns. Typically such firms enjoy but limited credit, and with no ready access to the securities markets, their capital expenditures depend primarily on earnings. When they are making money, they can afford to buy equipment; when they are losing, they largely disappear from the equipment market. Even great enterprises, though less dependent on earnings as a source of capital financing, are profoundly influenced by the volume of internal funds available for the purpose, a volume as a rule far greater in prosperity than in depression. Moreover, it is usually easier in good times to obtain outside funds through the sale of stock or by borrowing, since in bad times bankers, underwriters, and investors are susceptible to the same timidity and caution that afflict business management gen-

We are dealing here with a combination of psychological, physical, and financial forces which conspire to aggravate the instability of demand for capital equipment. What can be done to reduce this instability and thus to bring equipment purchasing into a more sensible and constructive pattern?

There is no panacea, no royal road to the solution. The problem has been with us since the beginning of the industrial economy. It is complex and difficult. It is not, however, wholly intractable. We may reasonably hope that industry will, through intelligent effort, make substantial progress toward a satisfactory solution. The industrial equipment field is one in which government, except for war periods, has exerted little direct control. The best insurance against the institution of government measures is to so conduct activities in the equipment field that no justification for government interposition can be made.

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1. The first and most important step is for industry itself to reconsider its heretofore haphazard and opportunistic policy in the purchase of equipment, substituting so far as possible a regularized, long-range programming of expenditure that will resist both the excited long-buying of booms and the equally disturbing underbuying of depressions. Such long-range programming is particularly appropriate and advantageous for large enterprises in established industries such as railroads, electric power, steel, automobiles, and the like, but it makes sense much more generally.

Once executives come to realize that a reasonably stable equipment program contributes not only to the welfare of the economy but also to the lowering of their long-run equipment costs, the opportunity to combine a public service with private advantage should induce them to recast their policies accordingly.

There is an even more compelling reason for purchasers of industrial equipment to do everything possible to regularize their demands. Some concerns unquestionably will find themselves in a postwar position where speedy delivery of needed equipment, even though it involves the payment of premium prices, will seem to be justified. But there is no system of accounting that can show it to be a profitable transaction to promote an equipment industry boom that runs a brief

course only to collapse when the backlog of deferred maintenance and development has been satisfied. That, historically, has been the trigger which trips the door to the depression phase of the business cycle. No immediate advantage can compensate for the contagious paralysis that infects all business enterprise when major layoffs occur in any major segment. No precautionary measures, self-imposed by business, can be regarded as unduly severe if they can prevent this devastating blight.

2. Financial agencies can and should play a responsible role in regularizing equipment demand. Funds for the purchase of producers' equipment should be offered boldly and at low interest during depression periods, and should progressively tighten as a boom market bids up the price of purchase and installation. Banks and financial houses have excellent facilities for gathering and interpreting market and general economic information. It is good business for them, and for the national economy, to exercise their accepted discretions in a manner that will help to promote economic stability.

3. There now is almost universal recognition of the need for a thorough-going revision of our corporate tax structure to the end that effective incentives may be offered for private capital investment. The possibility of including provisions which would offer special tax concessions to equipment investments made in depression periods is worthy of intensive exploration.

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The fundamental problem here is educational. If all business enterprises in a position to do so were to regularize their equipment expenditures, it would have a tremendously beneficial effect. True, it would accomplish no miracles. For many concerns it is not feasible to schedule equipment buying over a long period. Even those who do schedule it are likely in practice to attain only a relative stability. It must be acknowledged, moreover, that few programs could withstand indefinitely a very deep and prolonged depression such as we had in the thirties. Nevertheless the adoption of stabilization policies where feasible would make a signal contribution both to the restraint of booms and to the mitigation of depressions. Here is something industry can do for itself.

It is easy to disparage such remedies for economic instability as are here proposed on the ground that they are partial only. However, joined with others also partial, they can achieve in combination a solid progress toward the goal of sustained high level employment—progress that is unattainable through economic cure-alls. The road suggested is a slow road, and difficult, but it leads upward.

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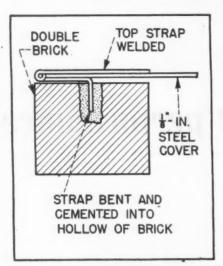
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# Portable Powder Boxes Made With Brick Walls



Method of fastening hinge straps.

BRICK BOXES have been used with entire satisfaction for more than a year as portable magazines for permissible explosives and detonators in the new full-mechanical mine of Republic Steel Corp., Pikeville, Ky. The powder boxes are on wooden sleds while the detonator boxes are mounted on sled-like platforms with handles for a two-man carry.

Walls and bottom are double brick and are 4 in. thick. Covers are ½-in. steel with rubber conveyor belting ½ in. thick riveted on the under side. One strap of the hinge is welded to the steel cover and the other bent 90 deg. and cemented into a hole broken into the hollow of the brick. Thus, when padlocked, the boxes cannot be entered by such easy means as removing screws or nails from a hinge. Bottom and sides also are lined with slabs of ½-in. belting.

The larger box, termed the "portable mechanical section powder storage," has inside dimensions as follows: 20 in. wide, 40 in. long and 20 in. deep. In each end wall one brick is set so the holes provide ventilation into the box. On the inside the holes are covered with heavy steel screen of ½-in. mesh backed by the rubber lining.

The "portable mechanical section de-

The "portable mechanical section detonator box," much smaller, is 12x12x12 in. inside the rubber lining. Leaning against it in the accompanying illustration are two small wooden boxes in which the shotfirers carry their immediate supplies of detonators. Both the powder and detonator boxes, one each for a loading-machine section, are kept in a breakthrough barricaded off by wooden fences and a gate marked "Danger" for the protection of all concerned.



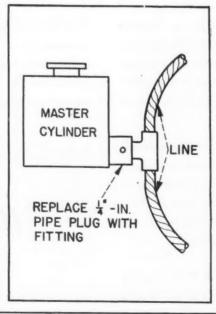


Left: Portable mechanical section powder storage. Holes in the ventilating brick near the top are protected on the inside by a steel screen and the ½-in, rubber lining. Right: Portable mechanical section detonator box. Leaning against it are two of the small wooden boxes in which shottiremen carry detonators to the work face.

# Fitting Facilitates Bleeding Hydraulic Lines

IN BLEEDING the hydraulic brake lines on Joy shuttle cars preparatory to refilling them, writes Thomas Jones Jr., head mechanic, Knox Consolidated Coal Corp., Bicknell, Ind., "we found that it was a slow job to keep fluid in the master cylinder and then pump with the bleeder valve open until all the air was removed. So we went to the tee in the copper tubing at the outlet end of the master-cylinder line and put in a ½-in. Alemite Mogul grease fitting. This allows us to use a Mogul Alemite gun at this point. We now fill up the gun with fluid and put it to this fitting. Then we open the bleeder valve and make a few turns on the gun. This forces all the air out and does not draw any back in, as the master cylinder will do if caution is not used."

How fitting is applied to facilitate refilling hydraulic lines.



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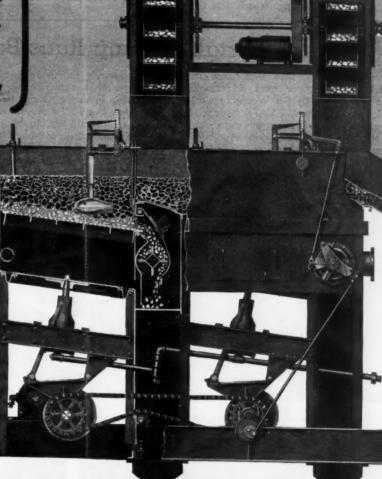
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# Power Washer for Shop Uses Discarded Parts

Washing crease from machine parts preparatory to inspection and repairing, the first step in shop work, takes considerable time and is a nasty job unless done in a power washer. That such a washer need cost but little and can be built in the mine shop is evidenced by the illustrations showing one in use in the Arista (W. Va.) shop of the Weyanoke Coal & Coke Co.

A rectangular 120-gal. tank built for some other purpose was utilized. A screen of 4-in. mesh was installed horizontally 8 in. from the bottom, and on top of that is a 3-in. layer of cotton waste. On another screen, supported 16 in. from the bottom, rest the parts being washed.

The pump, from an outmoded ice machine, circulates the solvent liquid to spray pipes positioned along each side near the top edge of the box or tank. When the layer of waste gets contaminated and loaded with grease and dirt until it no longer will allow solvent to pass fast enough to supply the pump, that waste is removed and renewed with a fresh supply.

In the illustration, the bearing housing being cleaned was temporarily placed on edge so it could be seen. Normally it would lie flat on the screen and the cover of the box would be closed. After parts are washed on one side they are turned over. Two valves and a hose to a nozzle allow manual spraying to wash out corners that may have been inaccessible to the jets of the fixed-position sprays.

Sprays of solvent remove the grease.



# Motor of Portable Dump Runs Both Hoist and Truck

By using a locomotive motor and its matching axle as one truck, a portable slate dump built by the Weyanoke Coal & Coke Co., Arista, W. Va., is made self-propelling and yet requires no extra motor for the rope hoist. The portable unit accomplishes end dumping of lift-endgate cars. The three illustrations showing the

approach, hoisting and dumping of a car of slate were made at the new No. 3 mine of the Arista operation. Here the dump is in use building a fill across a ravine to eliminate a curve and considerably shorten the length of an outside main haulway.

Development of this mine is not yet to the point where the dump must work to anything like capacity. At No. 2 mine of the same operation, however, a dump of similar design handles easily the 100 cars of slate that are dumped in one shift.

Track gage at Arista is 56½ in., which is standard railroad gage. Wheelbase of the portable dump is 10 ft. The motor is a Westinghouse No. 902C, series wound, d.c., from a 5-ton locomotive. Normally its pinion meshes with a pinion of an intermediate shift driving the rope hoist, which is mounted underneath near the center of the dump. To be disengaged from the hoist and engage the gear of the truck axle, the motor is pushed over a few inches on the axle to bring its pinion farther from the wheel.

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In the illustrations, C. F. Mash, vice

president and general manager (left), and Luther Williams, electrical engineer, stand beside the dump while C. I. Nichols, general mine foreman, demonstrates at the controls. Mr. Williams designed and built both dumps. Their use saves considerable labor compared with the hand pushing of cars which was necessary with the stationary horn dumps formerly used.

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Car of slate being pulled by rope and about to start up jumper rails to ramp.



Slate car on the way up to the horn dump.



Car in dumped position.

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# News Round-Up



# Labor Law Revised In New Senate Bill

A federal Labor Relations bill drastically overhauling and amending the National Labor Relations (Wagner) Act, in effect for the last ten years, was introduced in the Senate at Washington June 20 by Senators Carl A. Hatch (D., N. M.), Harold H. Burton (R., Ohio) and Joseph H. Ball (R., Minn.). Modeled after the Railway Labor Act, the new measure would abolish the National Labor Relations Board and substitute for it and for the existing conciliation machinery two separate, independent agencies for bringing peace between management and labor and for averting the "serious danger of a knock-down drag-out fight between management and labor in the immediate postwar period."

The bill sets up an unfair labor practices tribunal of three members, whose authority is limited to administering the quasi-judicial functions of the National Labor Relations Board. All other NLRB functions retained are transferred to a Labor Relations Board of five members, to which is granted broad powers over the mediation, conciliation and adjustment of labor disputes. To this board also is transferred the Department of Labor's Conciliation Service, all mediatory functions of the Secretary of Labor and similar duties of the War Labor Board.

Important provisions of the bill include:
1. Obligatory arbitration of disputes affecting public utilities or public services such as coal, oil or milk, thus banning policies such as those of the United Mine Workers of refusing to work without a contract.

2. Strikes are forbidden and compulsory arbitration prescribed for all grievance disputes that may arise out of differing interpretations of labor-management pacts.

3. Prohibition of unfair labor practices by employers provided in the Wagner Act is retained but is supplemented by extending a similar ban against unfair labor practices by employees. This is an attempt to equalize the Wagner Act provision which has hitherto been sought by industry and opposed by labor.

4. Legalization of a closed shop, as provided in the Wagner Act, if a majority of a union favors it, is modified so that the closed shop would be denied unless the union represents 75 percent of the employees involved; unless the closed shop is ratified by at least 60 percent of the employees involved; unless the union admits any qualified person to membership; and unless provision be made that no mem-

ber is deprived of membership except on written charges and after a fair hearing.

5. The Wagner Act's broad application to a wide range of business and industry, including that indirectly affecting interstate commerce, is tightened and narrowed to cover employees directly engaged in interstate commerce. The bill limits its application so as to skirt any activity that might be construed as intrastate.

6. The federal board is directed to survey the possible need for legislation to make unions more democratic.

Unequivocal opposition to the proposed law was expressed by William Green, president, American Federation of Labor, and Philip Murray, president, Congress of Industrial Organizations. The United Mine Workers denounced the measure as "a scheme blueprinted to rob the poor and further enrich the rich."

# To Sink New Shaft

Old Ben Coal Corp. has awarded a contract to the Dravo Corp., Chicago, to sink a new shaft half way between its Buckner No. 14 operating shaft and the Rend City mine, closed for several years. The new

opening will be an air shaft to enable the company to extend its workings farther into the area of the Rend properties and to reopen the closed operation if it wishes.

# Congress Considers Tax Adjustment Bill

Designed to bring into being the fivepoint program recently agreed upon by the Treasury Department and the Joint Staff on Internal Revenue Taxation of Congress, H. R. 3487, the "Tax Adjustment Act of 1945," was introduced in the House of Representatives at Washington on June 18 by Mr. Doughton, chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means. The committee immediately began consideration of the measure.

As introduced, the bill contains the following major proposals: increase in the excess profits tax specific exemption from \$10,000 to \$25,000, applicable to taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 1944; change in the provisions relating to postwar refund of excess profits taxes to make the refund and credit available immediately; extension of time for payment of



Forsyth Carterville Coal Co., Carterville, Ill., receives both "Coal for Victory" awards. Fred W. Richart, assistant editor of Coal Age, makes the presentation June 7 to Fred Heien, superintendent (center), and Walter Forsyth, general superintendent (right).

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taxes by corporations expecting carry-backs, and tentative carry-back adjustments.

Among changes under consideration by the committee are several proposed by Representative Robertson (D., Va.), who urges that the bill be amended to write into the Internal Revenue Code a termination date for the excess profits tax and also that the higher specific exemption be made effective for taxable years beginning subsequent to Dec. 31, 1944.

Strong representations have been made to the committee by the National Coal Association recommending that the measure be adopted at once and also urging the advisability of raising the specific exemption for excess profits taxes to \$35,000, making the higher specific exemption effective for taxable years beginning subsequent to Dec. 31, 1944, and incorporating into the bill a provision that the excess profits tax shall terminate Jan. 1 of the year following the cessation of hostilities with Japan.

# Laboratory Opened By Indiana Group

A new laboratory furnished with all modern testing and analytical equipment for making analyses and various tests of coals produced in the State of Indiana has been opened by the Coal Trade Association of Indiana at 1240 Hulman St., Terre Haute. It will serve all members of the coal operators' organizations who produce more than 90 percent of the State's output, amounting last year to 27 million tons.

In its work the laboratory will be able to determine the analyses of coals, including moisture, ash, sulphur, fixed carbon, volatile matter and the heating value in B.t.u. It also will have facilities for determining the fusion temperatures of ash and the grindability characteristics of coals. Facilities also are available to make other studies required to determine the best means of producing the highest quality coals. Being located at a point easily accessible to the producing plants, the laboratory can perform its services immediately and promptly report to operating personnel, who, in turn, will be in a position to control quality more closely and consistently produce a better product.

Henry O. Erb, preparation engineer for the Coal Trade Association, is director of the new laboratory. As engineer, Mr. Erb serves the members of the association on all questions of modern preparation methods at the various mines. Analytical work in the laboratory is to be performed by and under the immediate direction of John M. Sanford, a graduate chemical engineer of Rose Polytechnic Institute. Mr. Sanford formerly conducted his own laboratory in Terre Haute.

Other officers of the Coal Trade Association of Indiana, the office of which occupies the fourth floor of the Beasley Building, include the president, Hugh B. Lee, who is vice president and general manager of the Maumee Collieries Co., and the vice president, H. P. Smith, who is president of the Princeton Mining Co. and Black Hawk Coal Corp.

# Ohio House Rejects Strip-Mine Measure

The lower house of the Ohio Legislature defeated the bill to regulate strip mining June 19 by a vote of 58 to 53. Governor Frank J. Lausche, who had campaigned on the issue of strip-mine regulation, expressed dissatisfaction over the defeat of the measure.

Rep. Paul Powell's strip-mine tax bill, replacing a 1943 law not now enforced because of court entanglements on its constitutionality, squeezed through the Illinois Senate during the last meeting of the 64th General Assembly with one vote to spare —27-12—and went to the Governor. The measure fixes a tax of 4c. a ton on strip coal and earmarks the revenue for restoration of strip land to tillable form.

The Neel stripping bill, which once had 87 backers in the Missouri House, was killed June 22, 55 to 45. As written, the bill would have required strip miners to refill strip mined areas and grade down the mounds of dirt they left. Rep. Fred Neel,

sponsor of the bill, yielded to an amendment eliminating the requirement that the pits had to be filled, but even that failed to save the measure.

Legislation authorizing State control of bituminous strip mining was signed June 1 by Governor Edward Martin of Pennsylvania. Noting the regrettable destruction of fine farm land by strip-mining operations, Governor Martin commented that it may be necessary for future legislatures to strengthen the act to preserve farm land and include the anthracite region. Under the new mining law operators are required to post a \$200 bond for each acre mined up to a \$1,000 limit to assure compliance with the statute. License fees were fixed at \$100.

# Old Mines Closed: One Reopens

Liberty mine, at the north limits of Gillespie, Ill., operated in recent years by the Perry Coal Co., St. Louis, has been closed. Nat Farnsworth has been mine manager for a number of years, with about 200 men employed. Electrically equipped, the operation was sunk by local businessmen a number of years ago, later being sold

coal has been removed. Opened in 1909 by E. E. White & Co., it yielded 67,890 tons in its first year of operation and soon became Raleigh County's leading pro-ducer. The White firm sold it in 1927 to Castner, Curran & Bullitt, and several

Industrial mine, one of the oldest in Colorado, ceased operation June 15 following U. S. District Court approval of a Rocky Mountain Fuel Co. request to abandon the 50-year-old Boulder County operation. Harry N. Jones, chief engineer, said only a small quantity of coal is left in the mine and the recent increase in miners' pay made a profit impossible. Opened in 1895 and purchased in 1911 by the Rocky Mountain Fuel Co., the mine has produced more than five million

tons, averaging 60,000 tons annually.

Beckemeyer Coal & Mining Co., Beckemeyer, Ill., was scheduled to reopen for business July 1, according to H. H. Timmerman, trustee. Extensive repairs were to be completed sufficiently to make reopening possible on that date. George Guoy is the new superintendent. Plans

Glen White (W. Va.) mine of the Koppers Coal Div., which produced an estimated 25,000,000 tons since its opening, was closed June 1 because all accessible

years later it was taken over by Koppers.

contemplate doubling the former output.

# COAL ACTIVITY

**Bituminous Coal Stocks** 

Th	rousands		
	Net Tons May 1 1945	P.c. C From Apr. 1 1945	From May 1 1944
Electric power utilities. Byproduct coke ovens Steel and rolling mills Railroads (Class I) Other industrials*	12,377 4,456 695 9,508 12,831	$ \begin{array}{r} -1.1 \\ -18.3 \\ -4.1 \\ -4.6 \\ -2.6 \end{array} $	-11.6 -18.3 -0.4 -4.6 -19.6
Total	39,867	-4.7	-14.9

#### Bituminous Coal Consumption

T	housands		
	Net	-P.c. Cl	hange-
	Tons May 1945	From April 1945	From May 1944
Electric power utilities. Byproduct coke ovens. Steel and rolling mills.	5,909 7,454 850	$   \begin{array}{r}     -4.5 \\     -7.5 \\     -9.4   \end{array} $	$-9.5 \\ -8.2 \\ -16.7$
Railroads (Class I) Other industrial*	10,592 11,379	-7.1 $-12.4$	-12.1 $-18.7$
Total	36,184	-8.6	-10.8

plants and cement mills.

#### **Bituminous Production**

May, 1945, net tons	50,030,000
P.c. change from May, 1944	-7.0
January-May, 1945, net tons	
P.c. change from JanMay, 1944	-7.9

#### **Anthracite Production**

May, 1945, net tons	2,124,000
P.c. change from May, 1944	-63.7
January-May, 1945, net tons	21,311,000
P.c. change from JanMay, 1944	-22.6

#### Sales, Domestic Stokers Vs. Oil Burners

	Stokers	Burners
April, 1945	5,737	6,313
P.c. change from April, 1944	+239.8	+196.5
January-April, 1945	22,233	22,217
P.c. change from JanApr.,		
1944	+391.5	+133.5

#### Index of Business Activity\*

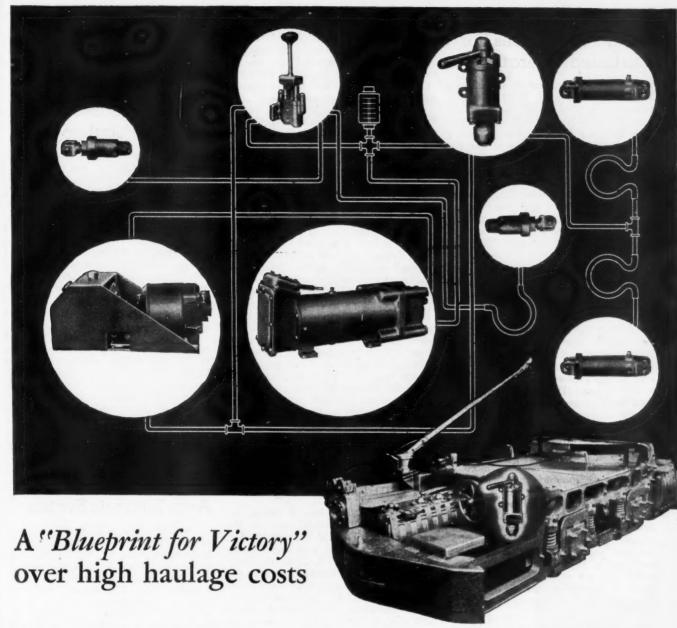
Week ended June	23,	194	45	 	 	222.6
Month earlier				 	 	227.3
Year earlier				 	 	285.1

#### Electric Power Output<sup>†</sup>

Week ended June 23, 1945	4,358,277,000
P.c. change from month earlier	+0.6
P.c. change from year earlier	+0.8
† Edison Electric Institute.	

# Senate Debates Funds

Department of Interior Appropriation bill, now under debate on the Senate floor at Washington, has been increased in total amount by the Senate Appropriations Committee from the House-approved figure of \$102,602,628 to \$140,248,932. The Bureau of Mines allowance was restored from \$15,881,860 to \$23,790,670; the Solid Fuels Information for War was restored from \$3,500,000 to \$3,730,000.



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# Blame OPA Prices For Curtailed Operation

Congressional representatives, coal operators and United Mine Workers officials from western Pennsylvania met June 13 and 14 in Washington with Solid Fuels Price Executive J. H. Reppert and Senior Price Attorney C. F. Kemp to consider the contention of producers that the OPA price schedule is inadequate to meet the needs of that area in the light of the increased cost of production. Charles Baton, president, Baton Coal Co., was chairman of the committee of operators, which included E. A. Siemon, Hillman Coal & Coke Co., and W. F. Schulten, Pittsburgh Coal Co.

Producers asserted that current price levels were responsible for mine shutdowns, elimination of second shifts and layoff of maintenance men in some operations. Richard Maize, Pennsylvania Secretary of Mines, and union representatives warmly supported the operators' contentions. One UMW official stated that 200 small operators in western Pennsylvania faced disaster, though they were making every effort to cut corners. He said 50 percent of these small producers would be unable to pay the vacation allowances.

Need for an additional 10c. per ton over and above the 15c. increase approved by OPA following the wage boost was stressed by the producers at another meeting, June 20 of the operators, union representatives and Congressmen with OPA Deputy Administrator James F. Brownlee. The following day OPA said it was reviewing its decision on prices for western Pennsylvania. In setting prices there, OPA had said production costs in that area were not as high as others and consequently did not need as high a price increase. Continued protests by the operators, however, led the agency to review its decision.

Maintaining that they were unable to operate under the prevailing wage scale with the prices allowed, three mines in Whitley County, Kentucky, were reported to have closed. They are the Blue Gem mine, Gatliff Coal Co.; Mammoth Blue Gem mine, Croley, Ester & Effie Co., and a mine of the White Jellico Coal Co., all operating in thin coal and employing about 300. Dixie Gem mine, Gatliff Coal Co., closed for several months, has reopened since OPA made some price adjustments.

Secretary Ickes released June 14 from government control 260 bituminous mines taken over when they were strike bound by wage disputes. Situated in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia, Kentucky, West Virginia, Illinois, Indiana and Alabama, all except two were taken over in April and May of this year. The other two, those of the Jewell Ridge Coal Corp., Tazewell, Va., were taken over Nov. 1, 1943, and remained in government possession pending the outcome of litigation over portal-to-portal pay.

Twelve more mines were returned June 23 by the government to private operation. With relinquishment of these mines,

in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Alabama and Indiana, six bituminous mines remain in government possession. Three are idle and the other three, owned by the Carter Coal Co., are held because the company and its workers have no contract.

In response to a recent appeal by District 8 Bituminous Coal Advisory Board that more meat be made available to mine workers, OPA suggested that in-plant feeding might ease the situation. It was pointed out, however, that this was impracticable because of the distances apart of working places, loss of time in bringing workers to a common distribution point and in distributing food, which might be deemed as compensable time in view of recent court decisions. The board suggested that meat could be efficiently distributed through company stores and recorded on each worker's payroll account

each worker's payroll account.

A western Pennsylvania coal miner was given a six-month jail sentence June 1 at Pittsburgh for participating in a coal strike in May. Federal Judge F. P. Schoonmaker ruled that William Patterson, 40, of Daisytown, Pa., violated probation imposed on him and 29 others when they pleaded no contest Aug. 30, 1943, to a charge of striking under the Smith-Connally Labor Disputes Act and promised not to interfere with coal production for the duration of the war.

# Federal Statute Of Limitations Urged

A statute of limitations on actions arising under federal statutes such as the anti-trust laws, Fair Labor Standards Act, Walsh-Healy Act and Salary Stabilization Act, as provided by H.R. 2788, introduced by Representative Gwynne of Iowa, is urged by the National Coal Association. Appearing June 11 to urge action along the lines of the Gwynne bill, James W. Haley, of N.C.A., pointed out that at present the time in which claims may be asserted under federal statutes is not clear.

Even where State laws govern legal assertion of rights under such federal statutes, there is a wide difference in the various applicable State law limitations. Moreover, private rights often spring into being as a result of a new bureau interpretation, new court ruling or other happening which may have been wholly unforeseen or even unsuspected.

Hearings began June 21 before the House Committee on Judiciary on the Sumners (D., Texas) bill, H. R. 1203, and a number of other measures designed to regulate procedure in the administrative agencies of the government. Similar bills have been considered in previous congressional sessions, the main purpose being to bring about more just treatment in administrative proceedings; powers of the government agencies are defined and clarified and regulation is provided for the sanctions and penalties they may impose; and judicial review is provided for an adverse rule or order. Witnesses before the committee thus far have been David Simmons, president, American Bar Association; Claude A. Miller, representing the

A.B.A. District of Columbia Committee on Administrative Procedure, and Carl McFarland, chairman, Administrative Law Section, A.B.A.

# Atwater Leases In No. 3 Pocahontas

American Coal Co. of Allegany Co., with mines at Crane Creek, Pinnacle and Piedmont, Mercer County, W. Va., has acquired a new lease in the neighboring area of the No. 3 Pocahontas seam. During the last two years or more this company has been exploring the upper and other seams in the area in which it has been mining since soon after World War I and has maintained an output of 1,500,000 tons a year under the direction of H. F. Warden, general manager, and H. W. Payne, general superintendent. The lease is on the lands of the Pocahontas Land Corp.

The American Coal Co. was developed by W. C. Atwater, late founder of Wm. C. Atwater & Co., which is the sales agency that will market the new coal. Officers of the mining company, established in 1851, include J. J. Lincoln, chairman of the board; John J. Atwater, president; George Dies, secretary, and the following directors: W. G. Stephenson, James A. McQuail, Paul Pack, William Beury and Mr. Warden.

## Asco Interests Switch

Controlling interest in Asco No. 1 mine of the Atlantic Smokeless Coal Co., Asco, McDowell County, W. Va., has been purchased by Norman W. Lee, president of the Independent Operators' Sales Co., Arlington, Va. The Atlantic Smokeless Coal Co. has purchased the Asco No. 2 mine from the Atlantic Coal Sales Co. Mr. Lee now is president of the Atlantic Smokeless Coal Co. and George W. Yeager, of Asco, is superintendent. The transaction did not involve any interest in the Darr Smokeless Coal Co., which operates Asco No. 3 mine, on Spice Creek branch of the Norfolk & Western Ry., and the Twin Branch mine, at Twin Branch, W. Va. R. E. Brockman, formerly president of the two Atlantic companies and the Darr Smokeless Coal Co., continues as president of the latter company.

# I. C. to Halt Smoke

Illinois Central R.R. has announced that it will install smoke eliminators on its 80 switching locomotives operating in Memphis, Tenn., before the end of the year. The move apparently was made in anticipation of a city drive to eliminate railroad smoke. The delegation from Shelby County put through at the last session of the State Legislature a bill giving the city the right to govern types of fuel and motive power that may be used by locomotives within the city.

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#### WLB Approves Anthracite Pact; Prices Raised \$1 on Domestic Sizes

THE ANTHRACITE wage contract signed May 19 by the United Mine Workers and the hard-coal producers was unanimously approved June 2 by the National War Labor Board. The agreement was reached by the union and the operators after a three-weeks strike which, federal authorities estimated, caused a loss of 3,000,000 tons in production. Two minor modifications proposed by WLB were accepted after conferences by the operators and union representatives shortly before approval of the instrument. William H. Davis, Director of Economic Stabilization, approved the pact June 16 and authorized increases in price ceilings of \$1 in domestic sizes and 25 to 50c. on industrial sizes.

One modification was the disapproval by WLB of overtime payment to a group of workers who had not been receiving overtime after seven hours, mainly continuous-shift employees whose regular work day is eight hours and who receive straight-time pay for that period. To have agreed to the contract proposal and to have paid these workers time and a half after seven hours, the Board held, would have meant granting a general wage increase, which is not permissible under wage stabilization policy.

Also disapproved was an overtime provision for employees, such as motor runners, who usually receive a full hour's pay for 15 or 20 minutes beyond seven hours. The Board ruled that these employees should receive the customary payment of one hour for the brief overtime period or time and a half for the actual time worked, whichever was greater. Otherwise, it held, these workers would receive a compound premium

The order on price changes provided that, effective June 18, dealers whose prices are established under RMPR 122 might immediately increase their maximum prices as follows per net ton: broken, egg, stove and nut, \$1; pea, 85c.; buckwheat and rice, 50c.; barley and smaller, 25c.

Mr. Davis said that OPA studies showed that the price increases were necessitated

1. Increased labor cost of 60.7c. a ton resulting from the wage agreement, the major portion resulting from the travel-time pay

time pay.

2. The fact that operating margins have fallen below the target of 19.9c. a ton realized in 1942 and accepted as a target margin by the Director of Economic Stabilization in his directive of May 26, 1944. The deficiency amounted to 5.2c. a ton.

3. The desirability of permitting operators to recoup, during the balance of the year, the deficiency of 9.2c. a ton in margins incurred during the first five months of the year.

In applying the 19.9c. a ton margin realized in 1942, Mr. Davis expressed the belief that its application for the current calendar year is "necessary to aid the effective prosecution of the war." Expressing agreement with the view of Judge Fred M.

Vinson, former Director of Economic Stabilization, that the "industry must be assured that prices will be maintained in such a manner as to insure the target margin," Mr. Davis stated that he had asked for a report from OPA as soon as data are available representing three months of operation under the new price ceilings, with recommendations as to further changes in price ceilings that may be necessary to insure that realized margins do not fall short of and do not exceed the target of 19.9c. a ton.

Secretary Ickes announced June 22 the relinquishment of government control and return to private ownership of the anthracite mines, 354 in Pennsylvania and two in Virginia, accompanied with the plea that the miners make every effort to make up the tonnage lost during the strike.

The text of the new anthracite agreement follows:

This agreement, made this 19th day of May, 1945, between the International Union and Districts 1, 7 and 9, United Mine Workers of America, parties of the first part, and the anthracite operators, parties of the second part, witnesseth:

Whereas, the parties hereto under date of March 8, 1944, entered into an agreement covering wages and conditions of employment in the anthracite coal fields in Pennsylvania, which agreement, under its terms, expired April 30, 1945;

Now, therefore, the parties hereto covenant and agree each with the other as follows:

The provisions of the agreement of March 8, 1944, together with the supplemental agreement of Jan. 9, 1943, and the terms and provisions of the award of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission and subsequent agreements made in modification thereof or supplemental thereto, including rulings and decisions of the Board of Conciliation and resolutions adopted by previous joint wage conference are hereby ratified, confirmed and continued sprovisions of this contract for the full term thereof except as hereinafter modified, supplemented and amended.

#### **EQUIPMENT APPROVALS**

Two approvals of permissible equipment were issued by the U.S. Bureau of Mines in April and May, as follows:

Sullivan Machinery Co.—Type 10-RU rubber-tired Universal cutting machine; two motors, 50 and 26½ hp., 230 volts, d.c.; Approval 529; April 2.

Goodman Mig. Co.—Type E-11 shaker conveyor; 10-hp. motor, 250 volts, d.c.; Approval 531; May 14.

#### 1. TRAVEL TIME.

In addition to the rates and compensation provided for under the agreement of March 8, 1944, all inside employees shall be paid \$1.132 per shift for travel time with the understanding that contract workers, in keeping with the custom and practice, shall be paid this amount per start. This is on the basis of an accepted and agreed average travel time for all inside employees of forty-five (45) minutes per day, at a rate of \$1.006 per hour at rate and one-half, taking into account the extreme difficulty of measuring accurately the actual travel time of individual underground workers.

The payments for travel time herein provided for shall be accepted and construed to be in full settlement and discharge of all travel time prior to May 1, 1945, and in full payment for all travel time for the duration of this agreement.

#### 2. OUTSIDE EMPLOYEES.

In addition to the rates and compensation provided for under the agreement of March 8, 1944, all outside employees, including stripping employees, shall receive \$1.32 per day to maintain existing differentials in daily earnings between outside employees and inside employees.

#### 3. PREMIUM SHIFTS.

All outside and inside company men, consideration miners and consideration miners' laborers, scheduled for and starting work on the second shift shall be paid four (4) cents additional for each hour employed. Contract workers on this shift shall be paid twenty-eight (28) cents per start.

All outside and inside company men, consideration miners and consideration miners' laborers, scheduled for and starting work on the third shift shall be paid six (6) cents additional for each hour employed. Contract workers on this shift shall be paid forty-two (42) cents per start.

#### 4. VACATIONS.

Vacation compensation for the employment period subsequent to June 15, 1944, shall be at the rate of \$75 per year for each employee and payment of the full amount of \$75 per year shall be predicated on an employee having worked in each of the 24 semi-monthly pay periods in the year ending June 15, 1945.

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Where an employee has not worked in all of the semi-monthly periods for any cause, compensation payable to him shall be a pro-rata share of the \$75, based on the number of pay periods actually worked for his employer in said year; provided, however, that time lost by an employee because of injuries incurred on the colliery premises and reported to the colliery superintendent within 14 days thereafter shall be construed as time worked in determining his vacation pay but not in excess of 24 pay periods in the aggregate; and provided further, that no vacation compensation shall be payable to any employee who has worked for his employer in less than six semi-monthly pay periods in each vacation year.

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Vacation compensation for the 1944.45 period shall be paid on the second pay day in June, 1945. In the interest of the national war effort it is agreed that the vacation period shall be eliminated for the year 1945 without prejudice or modification in the existing vacation clause of the agreement. This arrangement shall in nowise affect the payment of seventy-five (\$75) dollars to be paid by all operators to each individual in conformity with the terms of the agreement.

The vacation payment for the 1946 vacation shall be made on the last pay day occurring in the month of June of that year. The 1946 vacation period shall commence at 11:00 p.m. on June 28, 1946, and end at 11:00 p.m. on July 8, 1946.

#### 5. OVERTIME.

Section 2 (a) of the agreement of March 8, 1944, shall be amended to read as follows: Rate and one-half shall be paid for all hours in excess of seven (7) hours in any one day or thirty-five (35) hours in any one week. Double rate shall be paid for Sunday work if it is the seventh consecutive day worked in any work week, which work week shall begin with the first day shift starting Monday in each week; provided, however, that this provision shall not be construed so as to annul the requirement to pay rate and one-half for time worked on the sixth consecutive day in any work week as provided in the six-day agreement of Jan. 9, 1943.

In order to prevent pyramiding of premium rates, the basic hourly and daily rates used for the computation of overtime shall not include the 37.8 cents paid for 15 minutes of the lunch period, which is continued; the premium rates of four and six cents, respectively, per hour for the second and third shifts provided herein; the sum of \$1.132 per day paid for travel time to inside workers; the sum of \$1.132 per day paid to outside workers and stripping employees as above provided

and stripping employees as above provided.

Overtime and premium pay shall not be paid where the regular rotation of shifts requires the working of more than one shift in any consecutive 24 hour period.

#### 6. TENURE OF AGREEMENT.

This agreement, made this 19th day of May, 1945, shall be effective as of May 1, 1945, and shall continue in effect subject to the conditions and termination as herein provided. At any time prior to May 1, 1946, in the event a significant change occurs in the government wage policy, either party shall have the right to request negotiations on general wage rates.

At any time on or after April 30, 1946, either party may give ten days' notice in writing of a desire for a negotiating conference upon the matters outlined in said notice. The other party agrees to attend such conference. At the end of 15 days after the beginning of such negotiating conference either party may give to the other a notice in writing of the termination of this agreement, to be effective five days after the receipt of such notice.

#### 7. MISCELLANEOUS.

The third paragraph of Section 7, "Miscellaneous" of the agreement of March 8, 1944, is hereby eliminated.

This agreement is an integrated instrument and its respective provisions are interdependent and shall be effective from and after May 1, 1945, subject to the approval hereof by the appropriate governmental agencies and the granting by the Office of Price Administration of advances in maximum prices to cover the increased costs occasioned hereby.

In witness whereof, the United Mine Workers of America, through their accredited representatives and the anthracite operators, signatories to this agreement, through their accredited representatives, have caused this agreement to be properly executed the day and year first above written.

Provisions for overtime (Sec. 5) were modified by WLB for certain employees as follows:

"(a) Those employees engaged on continuous operations whose regular work day is eight hours and who have customarily received pay at straight time for the eighth hour. The proposal now to pay those employees at time and one-half for the eighth hour amounts to a general wage increase for them not permitted by anything in the wage stabilization policy.

"(b) Certain other groups (as, for example, motor runners) whose normal work day is seven hours but who have customarily been called upon to work in excess of seven hours. These workers have received for such work a full hour's pay at straight time (although actually working only a portion of the hour—frequently, for example, for as little as 15 minutes). These workers, therefore, already receive, in general, more than time and one-half after seven hours. The parties intend to continue their practice of paying a full

hour for the work these employees perform after seven hours. To pay for this hour at time and one-half would simply compound the premium which these workers are already receiving.

"It cannot be claimed that an inequity has been created in relation to either of these groups of employees by the travel-time provisions of the agreement, for they, like all other employees in the anthracite mines, are to receive an agreed-upon increase of \$1.132 per day.

crease of \$1.132 per day.
"In approving the conrtact, the Board therefore rules:

"1. Respecting (a), such employees are exempt from the overtime provisions of the contract for the eighth hour worked.
"2. Respecting (b), such employees shall receive, after seven hours, the customary payment of one hour or the actual time worked at rate and one-half, which-

#### Bright Outlook Seen For Coal Utilization

ever is greater.'

Modern methods of utilizing bituminous coal for home heating and power purposes, with the utmost economy and the least smoke, were predicted as postwar developments by E. R. Kaiser, assistant director of research for Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., when he talked to separate meetings of the Eastern States Blast Furnace and Coke Oven Association and the Mineral Producers' Association held June 22 at the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa. Both talks emphasized that the "future of the bituminous coal industry will be of its own making."

Mr. Kaiser added that the industry has "many opportunities to increase its service to the public through the development of equipment to increase production and dis-



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use of its products."

Stress was laid on the increasing use of overfire air jets, developed by Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., in cooperation with the Louisville & Nashville R.R., which "permit railroad locomotives to operate smokelessly, especially when traveling through cities or moving cars in switch yards." He said that 14 railroads and one barge line have installed or are instal-

ling the smoke-eating jets.

The speaker also said it is "necessary that the industry carry on cooperative programs through associations supported by the industry," adding that legislative, research, engineering and public relations activities are now being conducted by such coal groups. He mentioned that B.C.R., the industry's research agency, is developing "machines that will make coal a more satisfactory fuel." One of the newest achievements embodies a smokeless principle, developed for B.C.R. by Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, which may be applied to heating stoves, furnaces, cooking ranges and water heaters. This research, he said, was accomplished jointly by the coal industry and the stove manufacturers.

A B.C.R. laboratory also is working on a stoker design intended to take coal out of the bin, feed it to the furnace, heat the house and put the ashes in the can, Mr. Kaiser reported. This same laboratory is studying automatic heat with coal through the medium of steam supplied from a small coal-fired boiler plant—of pleasing appearance—in neighborhoods of 0 or more homes, the speaker said. "By this latter method," he added, "home owners will pay for heat monthly, the same as for other utilities."

Working hand in hand, the railroads and the coal industry are utilizing a wartime development, the gas turbine, to design a revolutionary new type of coal-burning locomotive, Mr. Kaiser stated. He said that exploration work is being done by Dr. John I. Yellott, of Baltimore, Md., director of research for the B.C.R.

#### Reel's Cove Opened; Output Gaining

locomotive development committee.

Tennessee Products Co. on May 30 formally opened its Reel's Cove mine, having completed preparations for full production. Carl McFarlin, Nashville, Tenn., president of the company, accompanied most of the officers and directors for the brief ceremonies and an inspection of the

new operation.

The new mine, from which small production has been realized since the first of the year, is five miles north of Whitehall, Tenn., where the company's other two mines are located. Production is now running around 500 tons a day at Reel's Cove, but with the completion of necessary trackage and moving equipment it will be increased to 2,000 tons a day. Coal is delivered mechanically to its lower tipple

for grading and loading into railroad cars by use of a 200-ft. tube, an 800-ft. bucket conveyor and a 2,200-ft. conveyor belt 22 in. wide. The drop from mine to tipple is 1,800 ft. Employment in the three mines now totals between 500 and 600 men and at least 100 more miners are needed.

#### Rehearing Denied In Travel Time Case

Petitioning a rehearing on the portal-toportal decision, the Jewell Ridge Coal Corp., in a brief filed May 31 with the Supreme Court, questioned the propriety of Justice Black's participation in the fiveto-four decision of May 7 granting travel time pay to bituminous coal miners. The company disputed that Justice Black could "render impartial justice" because of "his connection with the subject matter" and with the chief counsel for the miners, Crampton Harris of Birmingham.

At its sitting June 18, the high court denied the petition for a rehearing. Incident to the denial, Justice Jackson wrote a brief opinion, in which Justice Frankfurter concurred, saying that "no statute prescribes grounds upon which a justice of this court may be disqualified in any case. The court itself has never undertaken by rule of court or decision to formulate any uniform practice on the subject. . . It appears always to have been considered the responsibility of each justice to determine for himself the propriety of withdrawing in any particular circumstances."

#### Tells of German Synthetic Fuel Plants

The story of the German synthetic liquid fuel plants that kept the wehrmacht and luftwaffe operating far longer than many thought possible was reported June 21 to Secretary Harold L. Ickes of the Department of the Interior by Dr. W. C. Schroeder, one of the Bureau of Mines men assigned to a technical oil mission in Germany. Acting chief of the Bureau's Office of Synthetic Liquid Fuels, Dr. Schroeder headed an American party of 22 sent overseas to study the bomb-scattered remnants of the German plants, collect records and research documents, and interrogate plant personnel.

Attributing the German defeat in large measure to the destruction of synthetic fuels plants and paralysis of rail transportation by air attack, Dr. Schroeder reported that the oil plants were being moved underground as rapidly as possible when the collapse of Nazi resistance occurred. A tremendous job because of the space requirements, none of the new underground plants had been placed in operation, but some were about 80 percent

completed.

"All of Germany's surface synthetic fuels plants, primary targets of the RAF and American Air Forces, were bombed out—shattered to bits by repeated raids," he said. "Their production, estimated at about 4,000,000 tons of oil a year at the peak, was reduced to below 5 percent of

that amount despite the efforts of repair crews numbering as high as 25,000 men for a single plant. Plant production curves, turning sharply downward in 1943, rose only when bad weather grounded the Allied bombers. . . .

"We had a good picture before the war of the German gas synthesis method—used primarily for producing motor gasoline, lubricating oils and diesel fuels—but we learned of several refinements, including the use of iron catalysts and recirculating processes, as well as detailed data on the manufacture of byproducts," Dr. Schroeder stated.

Further information of value will be screened from the mass of records, documents and drawings collected. They will be reproduced on microfilm in London and sent to the United States for translation and use by industry and in the Bureau's synthetic liquid fuels program, a five-year research and development study designed to provide the know-how for the production by private industry of oil and gasoline from coal and oil shale. The investigation was a cooperative one with both British and American scientists collaborating and pooling their findings.

In Europe before the fighting ended west of the Rhine, Dr. Schröeder and others examined the captured Moers-Homburg plant within a half mile of the river bank. Later members of the party examined other plants on the west bank of the Rhine, including those at Wesseling and Ludwigshafen. As rapidly as plants in the Ruhr area were taken, German personnel were interrogated and valuable documents removed. A group of about 15 investigators was kept busy by this work for more than six weeks. Several shale oil plants also were examined.

#### Sets Up Oil-Shale Mining Division

An Oil-Shale Mining Division has been set up in the Office of Synthetic Fuels, with E. D. Gardner, former regional engineer in charge of the Bureau of Mines' Central Experiment Station, Rolla, Mo., as chief of the new division, according to Dr. R. R. Sayers, director of the Bureau. Charged with the responsibility for all mining activities of the synthetic liquid fuels program as authorized by Congress, the new unit will make engineering and economic studies to develop efficient, low-cost methods of mining the oil shale and possibly the coal to be used in producing synthetic gasoline and oil.

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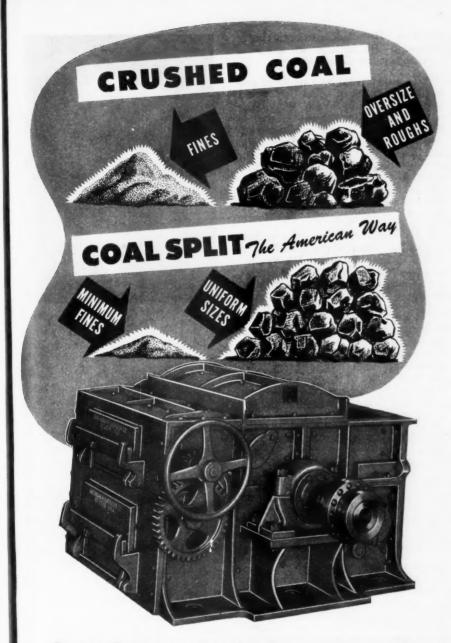
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At the Bureau's \$1,500,000 oil-shale demonstration plant to be built at Rifle, Colo., Gardner and his staff will direct the development of a 200-tons-a-day shale mine that can be enlarged if necessary and supervise the installation and operation of a 1½-mile-long aerial tramway to carry the shale from the mine to the retorting plant. Immediate problems include a choice of



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#### Personal Notes

HENRY G. SCHMIDT, chairman of the board, North American Coal Corp., Cleveland, Ohio, has been elected president and chief executive officer, succeeding O. C. LARSEN, president since 1938, who resigned after 29 years' service with the company. The office of board chairman was abolished.

HAROLD M. BEERS, mason foreman in the construction department of the Hudson Coal Co., has been appointed assistant superintendent of maintenance, vice Donald N. Smith, resigned.

CARL WESTERBERG, project manager for the Utah Fuel Co., operating in Carbon County, Utah, has been named superintendent of the Sunnyside mine, vice ARCH MORRISON.

STANLEY C. HARVEY, formerly a Utah State mine inspector, has been appointed mine foreman by the Utah Fuel Co. at its Sunnyside mine, Sunnyside, Utah. He succeeds Frank Maroshek Jr.

P. R. PAULICK, consulting mechanization engineer, Library, Pa., will spend some time in Nova Scotia surveying and analyzing the possibility of installing mechanical doading equipment in several independent coal mines in that district.

T. A. DAY, special representative with Island Creek Coal Sales Co., has been appointed special representative by Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., for which he will conduct public relations activities and maintain contact with members, coal producers, associations of coal-mining companies, railroads and manufacturers of coal-burning equipment for homes and



T. A. Day

industries. His headquarters will be in Pittsburgh. He formerly was associated with Appalachian Coals, Inc.

R. G. LAZELLE has been appointed general superintendent of Island Creek mines with headquarters at Holden, W. Va. He succeeds E. R. COOPER, who resigned to accept a position in the mining department of Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. Mr. Lazelle joined Island Creek soon after his graduation from West Virginia University in 1922, and has since held such positions as assistant mine superintendent, operating superintendent and mining engineer for all the company's mines.

S. A. Jones, formerly general mine foreman of No. 5 mine of the West Virginia Coal & Coke Corp., Omar, W. Va., has been made superintendent of Nos. 2, 4 and 6 mines of the Merrill Coal Co., Henlawson, W. Va.

CLYDE WILLIAMS, director, Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, was presented with the degree of Doctor of Science at recent convocation ceremonies of the Case School of Applied Science, Cleveland, Ohio. The degree was conferred by Dr. William E. Wickenden, president of Case, who cited Mr. Williams' accomplishments in research administration and in directing the activities of the War Metallurgy Committee of the National Academy of Sciences and the National Research Council.

THOMAS M. BEANEY, superintendent of No. 6 colliery, Jermyn-Green Coal Co., Pittstown, Pa., has been appointed by Governor Martin as an anthracite mine inspector. He succeeds Frank Kettle, who resigned after many years of service.

GRIFFITH MORRIS has been appointed director of the Bureau of Mines and Minerals in the Indiana Division of Labor by Governor Bates. Working in coal mines for 46 years, much of the time as mine foreman, and for the last 20 years in Kings Station mine of the Princeton Mining Co., lately as safety man, he succeeds Henry S. Wallace, director since 1941.

Loren Wasson, hitherto assistant general manager and general superintendent, Wasson Coal Co., Harrisburg, Ill., was elected president and general manager June 6, succeeding his father, recently deceased.

A. B. CRICHTON, president, Johnstown Coal & Coke Co., Johnstown, Pa., has been elected a director of the National Coal Association, representing the Maryland district, where his company has a mine in addition to operations in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. He succeeds Arthur B. Stewart, who recently disposed of his interests in the Davis Coal & Coke Co., Baltimore, of which he had been president, and who has retired.

B. H. SCHULL, vice president in charge of operations, Binkley Coal Co. and Pyramid Coal Corp., has been relieved of active duty because of his health. He will continue his relationship with the companies in an advisory capacity. He has



B. H. Schull

been engaged in the coal-mining business, both underground and strip, in Indiana and Illinois for 40 years.

C. B. Lang has been appointed executive vice president of the Dominion Steel & Coal Corp., Ltd.; Dominion Coal Co., Ltd., and Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd., with offices in Montreal. R. C. McDonald has been named secretary-treasurer and G. C. Broadbent, assistant secretary-treasurer of these companies.

GARRETT CREWS, formerly of the engineering department of the Union Colliery Co., Dowell, Ill., has been promoted to assistant to the general superintendent.

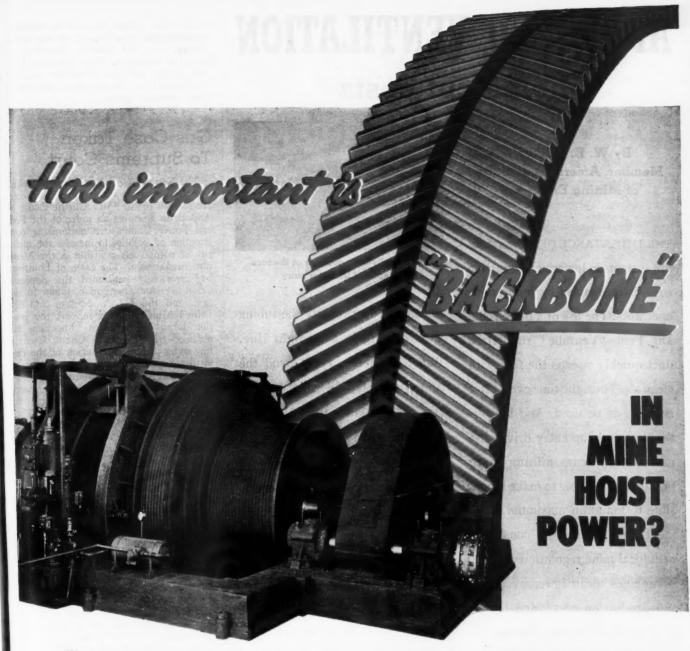
E. B. AGEE, formerly general superintendent, Buckeye Coal Co., Nemacolin, Pa., has been appointed a general manager of the Simpson Creek Collieries Co., Galloway, Harrison County, W. Va.

L: L. Arnett, Castle Gate, has been appointed a district coal-mine inspector by the Utah State Industrial Commission. He succeeds I. P. Benensen, Kenilworth, after 38 years' coal mining experience in Utah, Colorado and Illinois.

#### Accident Rate Cut In Drumheller

Results of Drumheller's (Canada) Accident Prevention and Safety Program are reflected in a marked decrease in accidents during the first six months. The total between Dec. 1, 1944, and May 31, 1945, was 684 compared with 925 a year earlier and 1,053 two years previous. Three mines in East Coulee have combined their safety work to a considerable extent and have provided the services of a nurse in addition to first-aid accommodation.

Sponsored by the Drumheller Coal Operators' Association, a gala program was arranged for July 2 at Drumheller to mark six months' operation of the safety campaign. Cash prizes totalling \$1,000 were to be drawn for by steady working mine workers with accident-free records. Besides



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which other prizes were to be awarded, including the silver trophy of the Safety Supply Co. and another provided by Canadian Industries, Ltd. Canadian Utilities, Ltd., and the Canadian Sullivan Machinery Co., Ltd., also each contributed three attractive prizes.

#### Gas Case Taken To Supreme Court

The National Coal Association has asked the U. S. Supreme Court to review the recent action of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in affirming an order of the Federal Power Commission authorizing construction of facilities to increase the quantity of natural gas available in the Memphis market area. The State of Louisiana had previously petitioned the Supreme Court to issue a writ of certiorari in the case, and the N.C.A. petition and the United Mine Workers support the position taken by Louisiana. Louisiana has obtained from the Fifth Circuit Court stay order pending disposition of the case by the Supreme Court. As the Supreme Court did not act on the petitions for certiorari at the final session of the court, June 18, it will be autumn before the court can act on the petition.

A limited certificate has been granted by the Federal Power Commission to the Tennessee Gas & Transmission Co. authorizing the operation of new compressor stations and other new equipment to bring additional natural gas into the Appalachian area. At the same time the Commission denied the company's application for permission to construct 95 miles of 16-in. pipeline to make a connection with the San Salvador gas field in Texas.

#### More Gas for Southern Cities

F.P.C. is now considering an application of the United Gas Pipeline Co. to increase its facilities to make additional quantities of gas available in Atlanta and other market areas in the South, as well as to make additional gas available to the Tennessee Gas & Transmission Co. This matter was submitted to the Commission on oral argument following lengthy hearings, in the course of which the coal industry pointed out forcefully that the additional gas was not needed and would tend to impair rather than promote the general welfare of the territory sought to be served.

An application has been filed with F.P.C. by the Southern Natural Gas Co. seeking authority to add 93 miles of mainline loop and several segments of branchine loop and to install compressor stations and other auxiliary equipment to increase the capacity of the line from 220 million cubic feet per day to 245 million cubic feet per day. The principal communities served by Southern and its vendees are Atlanta, Birmingham, Gadsden, Montgomery, Macon, Rome and Columbus. Hearing has been set for July 19 at Washington.

Briefs have been filed by representatives of the coal industry in the proceeding before the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin concerning the application of

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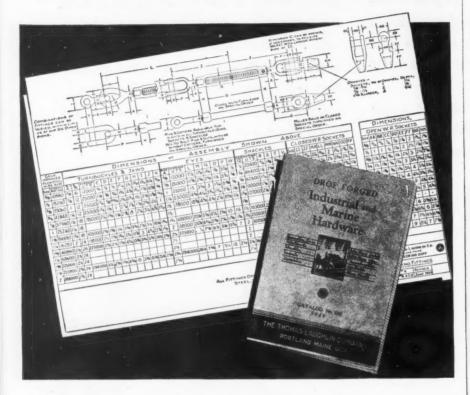
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Hearings before F.P.C. on the application of the Central Illinois Public Service Co. were concluded June 16. Granting of the certificate sought was opposed by the National Coal Association, United Mine Workers and the Indiana and Illinois coal operators. If the certificate is issued the section around Mattoon, Ill., will receive additional natural gas from either Kentucky Natural Gas Corp. or Panhandle Eastern.

The first hearing in the general natural gas investigation, it is understood, will take place in Washington some time in September. George Slaff has been appointed chief counsel for F.P.C. in the investigation and a staff of other lawyers and technicians also is being assembled for the probe. It also is understood that the natural gas industry, operating through the recently organized Independent Natural Gas Association of America, is assembling a staff of attorneys and engineers to participate in the proceedings.

#### New Pumping Plants In Anthracite Field

To supply more water to the St. Nicholas breaker, the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. will install in its St. Nicholas mine, St. Nicholas, Pa., two deep-well pumps each with a capacity of 5,000 g.p.m. An 11x11-ft. shaft 200 ft. deep is being sunk to accommodate the pumping equipment.

A new automatic pumping plant is being installed also in the Prospect colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Co., Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Its ultimate capacity will be 5,600 g.p.m. against a total head of 850 ft. The water will be pumped to the surface through a 16-in. lead-lined pipe in a 23-in.

#### Ohio Group Buys Puritan Coal Corp.

Puritan Coal Corp., Mingo, W. Va., has been purchased by C. L. Fishback, president, Michigan & Southern Coal Corp., Columbus, Ohio, and associates. The Puritan company produces about a quarter of a million tons of coal a year and is served by the Norfolk & Western Ry. Officers, in addition to Mr. Fishback, who will be chairman of the board, are Frank P. Smith, Puritan, W. Va., president; James D. Ireland, Cameo, W. Va., vice president; H. L. Thompson, Cincinnati, treasurer, and C. L. Fishback, secretary.

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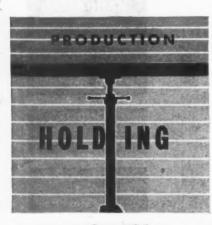
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An appropriation of \$25,000,000 having been provided to clean the Schuylkill River, the State of Pennsylvania has agreed to take over certain dams in the river from the Schuylkill Navigation Co. They will be dredged to remove the accumulation of silt now in them, estimated to total about 30,000,000 tons. This is one of the first steps by the State to clean the silt-clogged river.

#### Stripping Project For Panther Valley

Equipment was being installed in mid-June by Carey, Baxter & Kennedy, New York, on the west side of Greenwood mines in Panther Valley, Pennsylvania, preparatory to launching the largest stripping operation yet undertaken in the anthracite region. The Lehigh Navigation Coal Co. let the contract. When completed the operation will form an enormous V-cut having a top spread of 1,200 ft. and legs extending downward 850 ft., one leg lying along the bottom rock of the Mammoth Vein. The over-all length of the stripping will be nearly one mile.

#### Obituary

James H. Allport, president, Rich Hill Coal Co., Barnesboro, Pa., died June 12 at his home in that community. By profession a mining engineer, he served during World War I as chief engineer of the U. S. Fuel Administration as well as a member of the engineers' committee that made a comprehensive study of coal-mining costs throughout the United States. He also served as a member of the Engineers' Advisory Valuation Committee to the U. S. Coal Commission in 1923.

ROY WILLIAMS, 56, superintendent, National Fuel Co., died June 23 in a Boulder (Colo.) hospital.

W. P. Bross, 70, vice president, Sinclair Coal Co., Kansas City, Mo., died June 20 after only a few days' illness. He had been with the Sinclair for 25 years, much of the time as general sales manager.

Joe B. Moore, president, Three Forks Coal Co., Ellamore, W. Va., died May 30 at Philadelphia, Pa.

ROBERT V. CLAY, known to his many friends as "Barney," vice president of the Hanna Coal Co., died June 8 at Cleveland, Ohio, of a heart attack. He started with the company in 1910 as an office boy, later working in the accounting department in Cleveland, and coal-mine offices in Pennsylvania. After serving as a sergeant overseas in World War I he joined the Susquehanna Collieries Co., anthracite subsidiary of the Hanna company. In 1925 he returned to the Cleveland office to become purchasing agent. In 1928 he was appointed assistant general manager of the

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Ohio mines with headquarters in St. Clairsville, and was made vice president and general manager in 1932. He returned to the Cleveland office in 1940 to serve in an administrative capacity.

HENRY (HARRY) LAVIERS, 83, pioneer eastern Kentucky coal operator, died May 31 at Paintsville, Ky. An immigrant at an early age, he worked in northeastern Ohio and West Virginia mines, supplementing his mining education by study at Ohio State University. In 1905 he transferred to Paintsville as general manager of the North-East Coal Co. and superintended opening of its four mines. Later he became associated with the South-East Coal Co. He served as first president of the Northeast Kentucky Coal Operators' Association, predecessor to the Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Operators' Association. His son, Harry LaViers, is president of the Princess Elkhorn Coal Co.

C. M. Wasson, 76, president and general manager, Wasson Coal Co., Harrisburg, Ill., died May 31 in a Chicago hospital. He also was a director of the Oliphant-Wasson Coal Co., Bicknell, Ind.; Wheatland Coal & Mining Co., Wheatland, Ind., and the Princeton Coal & Mining Co., Princeton, Ind. Long a leader in community and church affairs in his community, Mr. Wasson was a heavy contributor to various church activities. Mr. Wasson started his business career with his father in the cattle and grain trade and also engaged in the commission business. He entered coal mining by participating in the organization of the Saline County Coal Co., which was sold in 1905 to the O'Gara Coal Co. In 1906 he organized the Wasson Coal Co. and sunk Mine No. 1, still in operation, later going into other mining, oil, retail coal, manufacturing and banking concerns, some of which he helped organize.

ROBERT M. TIMPANY, 58, who served the Peabody Coal Co. in Illinois for many years in various management capacities recently at Springfield—died June 19 in a Springfield hospital after a long illness.

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and work was to begin early in July.

The 12-mile line, which will be wholly in Harlan County, will open up some 23,000 acres of coal lands on Big Black Mountain and Little Black Mountain, which rim the valley of Clover, Fork. The new line will cost about \$1,515,000 and is scheduled to be completed late next year.

The new acreage is owned largely by the Blackwood Land Co., United States Coal & Coke Co. and the Stonega Coke & Coal Co. The last named will open a large modern mine and tipple installation to be known as the Glenbrook mine near the end of the railway. Production for the first year is to be about 600,000 tons; the second year, 900,000 tons, and thereafter 1.200,000 tons annually.

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ELK LICK COAL Co., Gualey No. 2 Mine, Jerryville, W. Va.—Contract closed with Fairmont Machinery Co. for complete steel preparation plant with loading facilities for seven railroad tracks; sizes to be prepared are 7-in. lump, 7x3, 3x24, 2½x1½, 1½x¾, ½x¼ and 0x¼ in.; mine-run capacity of the plant, 300 t.p.h., including Chance equipment to clean 7x11-in.; there will be facilities for hand picking plus 7-in. lump and this size also can be crushed to a minimum of 2 in. and fed to the washer; remixing facilities to be provided for 0x1 and 1x11-in. sizes; complete new plant to be in operation by

ROCHESTER & PITTSBURGH COAL CO., Waterman No. 2 Mine, Waterman, Pa.-Contract closed by Fairmont Machinery Co. with Heyl & Patterson, Inc., for Chance cone equipment to handle \$x\frac{1}{8}-in. coal; addition to existing plant, designed for a maximum capacity of 225 t.p.h.; to be in operation soon after Jan. 1.

MOUNTAIN FUEL Co., Glen Cambria Mine, Brownton, Barbour Co., W. Va.—Contract closed with Fairmont Machinery. Co. for replacement set of shaker screens to prepare lump, egg and slack; run-of-mine capacity, 250 t.p.h.; to be in operation by Oct. 1.

MORRISDALE COAL CO., Maxton Slope Mine, Morrisdale, Pa.—Contract closed with Morrow Mfg. Co. for addition to existing preparation plant; equipment to consist of crusher, vibrating screens, Link-Belt air-pulsated jig, conveyors, etc. housed in steel structure; capacity, 250 t.p.h. 5x3; to be completed about Nov. 1.

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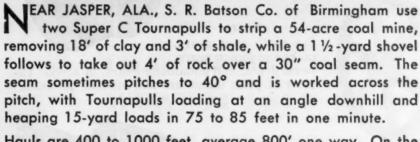
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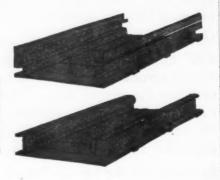
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GATEWAY COAL Co., Forest City, Pa.
—Contract closed with Deister Concentrator Co. for six SuperDuty Diagonal-Deck No. 7 washing tables to handle No. 4 buckwheat; two 4x7-ft. Leahy heavy-duty No-Blind vibrating screens to screen at 3 in. and one six-way split Concence revolving feed distributor to handle feed to SuperDuty tables.

#### **Association Activities**

UTAH COAL OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION elected the following officers at its annual meeting: president, Claude P. Heiner, vice president, Utah Fuel Co.; vice president, A. B. Foulger, general manager, Lion Coal Corp.; executive secretary, B. P. Manley; directors, L. E. Adams, A. P. Cederlof, A. B. Foulger, R. H. Harmer, Claude P. Heiner, Paul F. Keyser, Terry McGowan, George A. Schultz and Paul L. Shields.

MIDWEST COAL TRAFFIC BUREAU has reclected the following officers: president, G. L. Parsons, general sales manager, Apex Coal Co., Kansas City Mo.; first vice president, A. P. Rudowsky, vice president, McAlester Fuel Co., McAlester, Okla.; second vice president, A. M. Hannah, president, Mackie Clemens Fuel Co., Kansas City, Mo.; executive vice president and secretary-treasurer, H. J. Goudelock, Kansas City, Mo.; vice president and counsel, Thomas L. Philips, St. Louis, Mo.; executive committee, Messrs. Parsons, Rudowsky, Hannah, A. F. McElhenie, E. M. Douthat, W. C. Shank, W. P. Bross and Earl Wells.

Ohio Coal Trade Association elected the following officers at its annual meeting: president, R. L. Ireland, Jr.; vice president, E. H. Davis; executive vice president, Ezra Van Horn; secretary-treasurer, E. H. Miller; assistant secretary-treasurer, F. H. Bohecker.

BIG SANDY-ELKHORN OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION has reelected as president Harry LaViers, president, Princess Elkhorn and South-East coal companies. Other officers renamed are: vice president, B. F. Reed, secretary-treasurer, Turner Elkhorn Mining Co.; secretary, H. S. Homan, Ashland, Kv.; treasurer, H. H. Forester, vice president, Consolidation Coal Co. Directors named include: J. E. Bowman, vice president, Utilities Elkhorn Coal Cor.; J. F. Caulfield, treasurer, Elk Horn Coal Corp.; Harry B. Crane, general superintendent, Elk Horn Coal Corp.; H. K. English, vice president, Clear Branch Mining Co.; M. H. Forester; W. W. Goldsmith, receiver, Elk Horn Coal Corp.; H. J. Harper, assistant to the vice president, Koppets Coal Div.; James R. Hurt, secretary, Sandy Valley Coal Co.; Harry LaViers; A. H.

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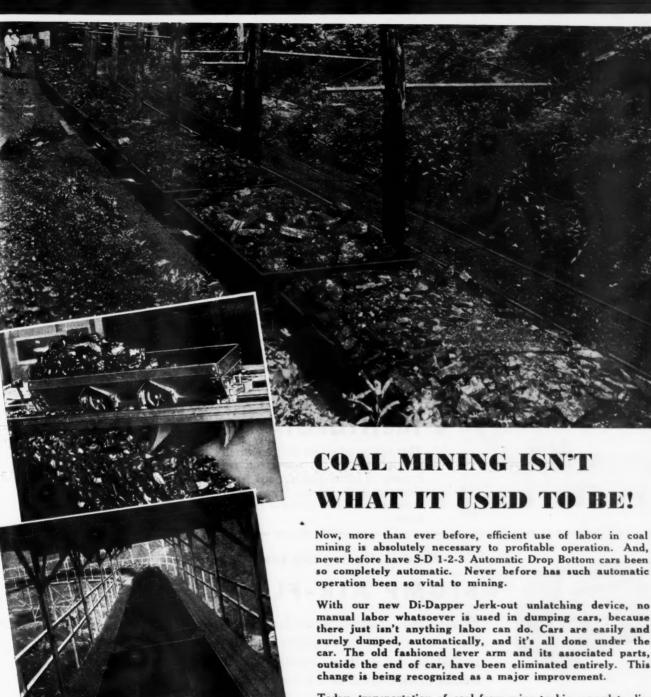
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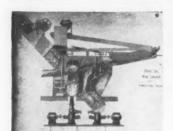
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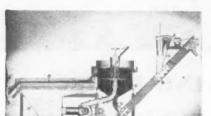
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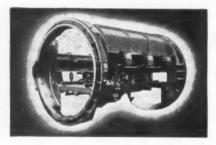
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COLORADO & NEW MEXICO COAL OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION elected the following officers at its annual meeting, June 20, in Denver: H. E. MacDonald, president; S. M. Thompson, vice president; E. M. Oliver, second vice president; F. O. Sandstrom, secretary-treasurer. These directors were named: N. C. Anderson, W. D. Corley Jr., George B. Dick, C. R. Garrett, Claude P. Heiner, H. E. MacDonald, Douglas Millard, W. G. Moore, E. M. Oliver, L. L. Patten, W. H. Peltier, B. W. Snodgrass, S. M. Thompson, W. J. Thompson and J. van Houten.

#### Coal Publications

Illinois Mineral Industry in 1943, by W. H. Voskuil and D. F. Stevens, State Geological Survey, Urbana, Ill. R. I. 101, 89 pp., 64x94 in.; paper. Price, 25c. Free to residents of State. Of all the States in the Union, Illinois ranked fourth in coal production. While coal production rose 12 percent above 1942, crude oil declined 23 percent and natural gas (sold and used as such), 32 percent. Illinois produced about 30 percent more fuel briquets in 1943 than in 1942, an important part of the production being made from deduster dust, a byproduct in the production of stoker fuel.

Minerals Yearbook, 1942, C. E. Needham, editor, U. S. Bureau of Mines,\* 1574 pp., 6x9½ in.; cloth. Price, \$2.25. This yearbook was recently released after being held as confidential for some years. Number of copies is quite limited.

Minerals Yearbook 1943, C. E. Needham, editor, U. S. Bureau of Mines\*, 1626 pp., 6x9‡ in.; cloth. Price, \$2.50. Long held as confidential.

Analyses of Tennessee Coals (Including Georgia). U. S. Bureau of Mines\*; T. P. 671; 243 pp., 5\(\frac{1}{2}x9\)\(\frac{1}{2}\) in; paper. Price, 35c. This has the usual brief introductory pages on State coal geology, mine layouts, haulage, ventilation, coal-bed characteristics, mining and loading machinery, blasting methods, preparation, output, stripping, transportation, distribution, uses and coking.

Annual Report of Research and Technologic Work on Coal, Fiscal Year 1944, U. S. Bureau of Mines. I. C. 7322, 92 pp., 8x10½ in.; paper; mimeograph. Lignite dust containing 20 percent of mosture can be ignited both by electric arcs and by the flames of detonating dynamite, but it is exploded with less ease than the dust of low-moisture high-volatile coals. A drop-bottom wire-mesh basket contain-

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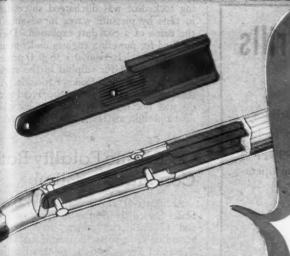
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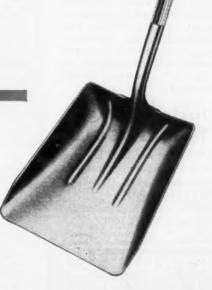
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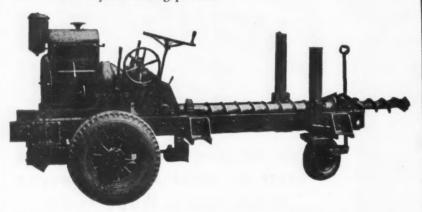
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#### Coal-Mine Fatality Rate Continues to Climb

Accidents at coal mines of the United States caused the deaths of 63 bituminous and 12 anthracite miners in April last, according to reports furnished the U. S. Bureau of Mines by State mine inspectors.

With a production of 43,350,000 net tons, the accident death rate among bituminous miners in April last was 1.45 per million tons, compared with 1.17 in the preceding month and 1.41 in April, 1944.

The anthracite fatality rate from accidents in April was 2.26, based on an output of 5,307,000 tons, against 2.49 in the preceding month and 1.15 in the fourth month a year earlier.

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For the two industries combined, the accident fatality rate in April last was 1.54, compared with 1.29 in the preceding month and 1.39 in April, 1944.

Fatalities during April last, by causes and States, as well as comparable rates for the first four months of 1944 and 1945, were as follows:



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_	Underground										
State	Falls of Roof	Falls of Face	Haulage	Explosives	Machinery	Other Causes	Total Under- ground	Shaft	Open-cut	Surface	Grand Total
Alabama	2						2				2
Illinois Indiana	2	* *	1				3	1	1	1	6
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Kentucky Maryland	4	4 (4)	4	* 4	4.4		8				8
Missonwi	1						1				1
Ohio	1	. 1 1		* *			1				9
Penna. (bituminous)	7	* *	7	* *	1.1		15			14	16
Tennessee.	-	0 0	4		1		15		* *	1	9
Utah	1	* 4	* *			1	1			1	1
Virginia	5	0.0.	9	* *	* *			* *		1	8
West Virginia	6	1	A	* *	1		12	* *		2	14
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Total bituminous	32	1	18		3	1.	55	1	1	6	63
Penna. (anthracite)	1	1	6	1		2	11		1		12
Grand total	33	2	24	1	3	3	66	1	2	6	75

#### DEATHS AND FATALITY RATES AT U. S. COAL MINES, BY CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS'

January-April, 1944 and 1945

	Number Killed per Killed Million Tons			Anthracite Number Killed per Killed Million Tons				Number Killed per Killed Million Tons				
Cause	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1045	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945
Underground:	1944	1940	1944	1940	1944	1340	1944	1940	1944	1940	1022	80
Falls of roof and coal	191	134	0.905	0 688	33	90	1.522	1 049	224	154	0.962	0.720
Haulage	77	71	.365	.365	9	9		.469	86	80		.374
Gas or dust explosions:		1.4	.000	.000	0	0	.410	. 200	80	00	.000	
Local	2	5	.009	.026	1	1	.046	.052	3	6	.013	.028
_ Major	16	16	.076	.082		-			16	16		
Explosives	4	7	.019	.036	8	3	.369	.157	12	10		.047
Electricity	12	4	.057	.020		0	.000		12	4	.052	.018
Machinery	10	15	.047	.077		2		.104	10	17	.043	
Shaft	3	2	.014	.010	1	ĩ	.046	.052	4	3	.017	.014
Miscellaneous	7	1	.033	.005	4	5	.184	.261	11	6	.047	.028
Stripping or open-cut	8	- 7	.038	.036	3	1	.138	.052	11	8	.047	.037
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# **Equipment News**

#### **Arc-Welding Electrode**

A new heavily covered arc-welding electrode for welding low-alloy high-tensile steels is offered by the Electric Welding Division of the General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Specially designed for use on carbon-molybdenum steel in the high-pressure piping industry, this electrode also may be applied to vessels (fittings) and structural weldments of innumerable kinds.

Known as Type W-56, the new electrode operates satisfactorily, it is said, on either a.c. or d.c., reverse polarity, and its range of current is sufficiently broad to cover a wide range of plate thicknesses.

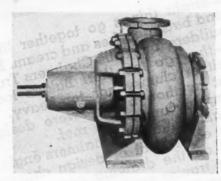


A medium-long arc is recommended for best results with this electrode. It can be used in the flat, vertical and overhead positions. Moreover, it produces a relatively flat deposit, particularly in the vertical position.

Features include a stable spray-type arc, deep penetration and excellent creepresisting qualities. In addition, the covering used produces an easily removed, light, friable slag that sets up fast, facilitating proper manipulation of the electrode. Available in sizes  $\frac{1}{6}$ ,  $\frac{5}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{16}$  in. in diameter.

#### Pump

Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis., offers a new Type CW pump designed for solids handling, water recirculation and sludge disposal in coal-preparation plants. Essentially a centrifugal slurry



pump, it is constructed of a tough abrasive-resistant alloy specially developed.

Simplified design of the entire unit results in few parts, requiring minimum maintenance. Removal of the entire rotating element without disturbance of suction or discharge piping illustrates quick accessibility of the parts. Stocks of complete units as well as expendable replacement parts are to be maintained in principal coal areas for 24-hour replacement service. Seven sizes have been developed to handle through 7,000 g.p.m. Complete details are given in Bulletin B6381.

#### Grease Fitting

Lincoln Engineering Co., St. Louis, Mo., announces the availability for civilian use of its grease fitting known as the Bullneck, designed to make necessary only one type of coupler for connecting the fittings. These fittings are machined from steel bar stock, hardened to a uniform maximum degree throughout and have a heavy zinc plating to withstand severe usage. They can be contacted by all standard type couplers.

#### Spout Magnet

The safety gate of a new electro-magnet for chutes manufactured by Dings Magnetic Separator Co., 509 East Smith St., Milwaukee 7, Wis., is designed to do double duty in the protection of machinery and material from tramp iron. Particles of iron are attracted to a step in the face of the double-gap high-intensity magnet so as not to be knocked off by the flow of material. When material and current are shut off, the safety gate rises automatically to discharge any accumulation of iron.

In the event of current interruption while the material is still flowing, the

safety gate automatically discharges the entire burden until the flow can be shut off and current restored. Freedom from damaged machinery, explosions, fires and contaminated material is said to result.

A new Alnico spout magnet for separating tramp iron from wet or dry material from chutes also is offered. It is available in both single- and double-gap design. Iron particles catch below a step in the magnet face where they will not be knocked off by the flow of material down the chute. When the flow is stopped, the magnet opens on hinges for removal of iron. These magnets are made in both Class A and B sizes and for spout widths from 6 to 24 in. or larger when needed.

#### Fire Extinguishers

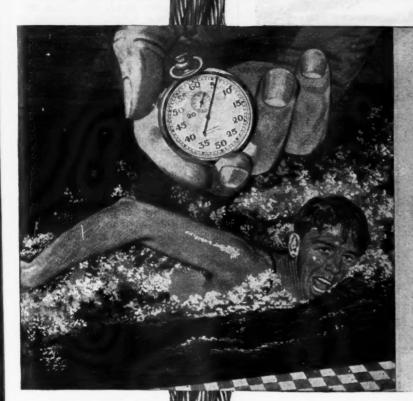
General Detroit Corp. announces that production is being resumed on its prewar copper-finish soda-acid and foam-type fire extinguishers. Discontinued early in the war because of material shortages, Red Star soda-acid and Floafome foam-type units will be available early in July. Descriptive literature on these extinguishers may be obtained by writing the General Detroit Corp., 2270 East Jefferson Ave., Detroit 7, or the General Pacific Corp., 1800 South Hooper St., Los Angeles 21.

#### Safety Glove

A new safety glove made from highgrade chrome-tanned cowhide is offered by the American Optical Co., Southbridge, Mass. Suited for welding, the new glove



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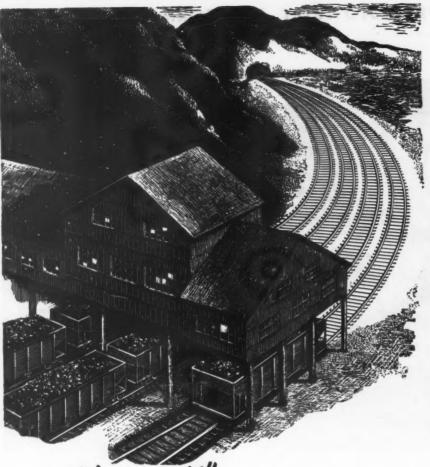
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HOW TO LEVEL Of TRACK MAINTENANCE COSTS

After operating your cars at high speed over main haulage track for eighteen or twenty-four hours every day since the beginning of the war, you are no doubt thinking of ways and means to lower track maintenance costs.

It's logical that the first step any mine operator should take in this direction is to start where most rail maintenance work occurs—at the rail joints. By Thermit welding the open rail joints to form continuous track, rail end batter is eliminated—wear and tear on rolling stock is reduced—and power consumption is lowered, since conductivity of welded track is approximately 20% greater than bonded track and remains constant.

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also can be worn for hand protection in other heavy-duty operations. Principal feature is its one-piece back construction, leaving no seams on the back to catch sparks or molten metal. The Gunn style of manufacture reduces the number of seams to a minimum. To give added strength and protection, all vulnerable seams are welted.

#### Safety Valve

What is said to be a simple, positive way to eliminate the costly and often dangerous whipping action that happens when a high-pressure air hose breaks or a connection fails is offered by the Associated Valve & Engineering Co., 510 North Dearborn St., Chicago 10, Ill. The Limit-Flo safety valve closes the line when the flow of free air exceeds a predetermined amount—it is set to allow up to the normal air flow required for tool operation.

The Limit-Flo is installed immediately ahead of the upstream end of the supply hose—no adjustments are necessary. The standard Model 1000 is designed to close when air exceeds 100 c.f.m. of free air with the supply at 85 p.s.i. It will deliver this flow through a 3-in. hose up to 100 ft.

#### Compressor Generator

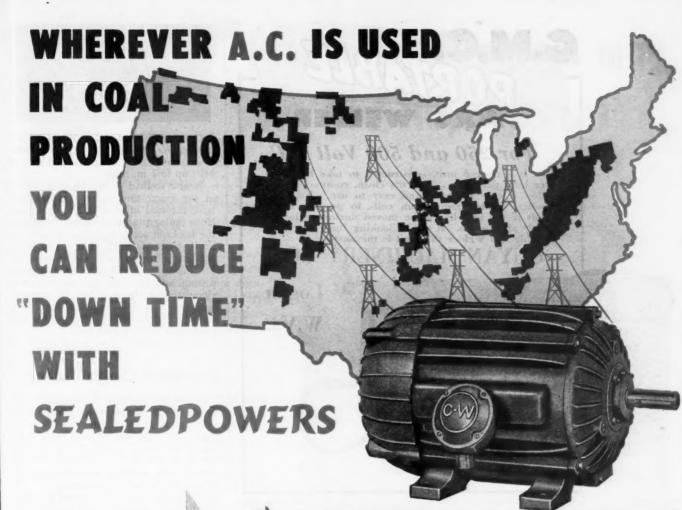
Schramm, Inc., West Chester, Pa., offers a compressor generator outfit having an actual air delivery of 60 cu. ft. and equipped with a 5-kw. generator with



adjustable floodlight that can be raised or lowered in accordance with requirements. Mounted on a two-wheel spring trailer, the outfit is completely automatic with pushbutton electric starter.

#### Wire Belt Hooks

Bristol Co., Mill Supply Division, Waterbury 91, Conn., has added a line of hinged-type wire belt hooks to its line of belt lacing products. They are designed



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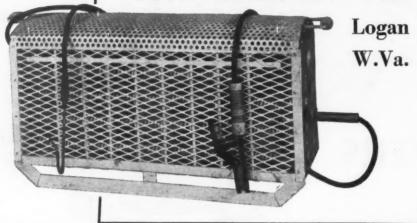


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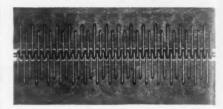
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for joining all types of flat belting, including leather, fabric, rubber and balata. Various sizes are offered to take care of belts up to  $\frac{1}{6}$  in. thick.

A new method of mounting the hooks in the spacer card makes it possible to leave the card in place in the lacing machine during the lacing operation, holding the hooks in accurate alignment until the hook points pierce the belt. The hooks are designed in such a way as to enter the belt in two rows with each opposite point passing into the belt in alternate rows, eliminating interference between opposite hook points as they are pressed into place and also distributing the drip on the end of the belt over a greater area.

#### Pressure Gage Tester

A new multi-purpose pressure gage tester developed by Mansfield & Green, Cleveland, combines in a single unit a pressure gage tester that can be used with equal facility for bench testing and for portable testing in the field. On bench testing, the unit can be used with test gages or with a dead weight attachment. A simple doubly sealed check valve is said to eliminate leakage completely and loss of pressure even with grit in the system, whether using oil or water, and for pressures up to



10,000 p.s.i. Principal uses of the testing unit include testing and repairing of pressure gages and instruments, the setting up of relief or other pressure-actuated valves and general hydrostatic testing.

#### Electrodes

A-C nickel manganese, A-C mo mang manganese, X2 and X3 electrodes are new additions to the arc welding electrode line of the Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis. The A-C nickel manganese and A-C mo mang manganese have wide application in the mining, cement and railroad industries for repair and rebuilding of worn equipment. Characteristics of the weld deposit allow it to work-harden, it is said, to 550 Brinell.

Hard-surfacing electrodes X2 and X3 are used to protect parts subject to extensive wear, the X2 for severe abrasion and mild impact and the X3 for severe impact and mild abrasion. A-C nickel manganese

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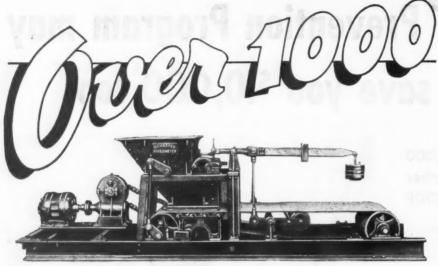


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#### Expansive Bit

An expansive bit, created specifically for use in hand braces to cut holes in wood, is offered by Bruno Tools, Beverly Hills, Calif. The center lip, which cuts away the ore at the center of the hole, extends back to form a clamp that firmly holds the adjustable blade at the diameter The clamp is locked tight by a screw. Once locked in the positive wedgelock V groove, the cutter remains in place. Equipped with two cutting bladeslong and short-required to cover the range of the tool, a graduated scale on the blade makes adjustment easy. Another innovation, according to the manufacturer, is the removable center lip or cutter, which also serves as a clamp to hold the blade. No. 200-B, 7 in. long, cuts holes from \$\frac{1}{4}\$ to \$1\frac{3}{4}\$ in. No. 201-B, \$8\frac{1}{2}\$ in. long, cuts all diameters from 1½ to 3¼ in.

#### Lubrication

Designed to provide a complete, compact, portable lubrication department for industrial plants, with ability to transport and dispense a variety of grades or types of lubricants, a new Lubrikart is offered by the Alemite division of the Stewart-Warner Corp., Chicago. The new unit, mounted on 5-in. ball-bearing casters, is 21 in. wide, 31 in. long and 37½ in. high. Pushed like a perambulator, it is intended for one-man operation and is able to travel between rows of machines or elsewhere in a plant where space is limited.

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It comes in two models. The basic model carries two 7-gal. tanks equipped with low-pressure pumps with 5½-ft. hose and non-drip nozzles for filling oil reservoirs on machines or hydraulic systems and for filling gear housings; one 7-gal. tank with high-pressure pump for loading hand guns; two 1½-gal. tanks with oil transfer pumps for filling oil cans; six spout-type oil cans and four lever-type hand guns. The second model has, in addition to the fore-



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#### Fire Extinguisher

A new fast-acting portable fire extinguisher offered by American-LaFrance-Foamite Corp., Elmira, N. Y., is the Alfite Speedex, made in three different sizes—Models 15, 10 and 4—and using carbon dioxide as the extinguishing agent. The new unit is said to be engineered to extinguish more speedily small oil or elections of the control of tinguish more speedily small oil or elec-trical fires with no loss of the important extinguishing gas on anything but the fire itself.

The Speedex operating valve lever, directly above the carrying handle, can be instantly opened by the pressure of the hand grip and as quickly closed by re-leasing the hand pressure while the operator is maneuvering his position. For continuous operation the D-yoke ring is slipped over the operating lever while it is depressed.

#### Portable Desk

A portable desk with a multiplicity of industrial uses is offered by Lyon Metal Products, Inc., Aurora, Ill. Model No. 2131-15, shown here, stands on 3-in. swivel casters and has a positive brake attach-



The over-all size is 34½ in. wide, ment. 30 in. deep and 53 in. high (43 in. high in front). The desk hood provides adequate space for storage of working papers and has a smooth 30-in. desk top with a 3-in. over-all slope. 24x28x3½ in. It has a drawer

#### Waterproof Coating

A recently developed waterproof coating used for roofs, walls and other surfaces exposed to the elements, called Liquinoleum, is said by the manufacturer, the Continental Asbestos & Refining Corp., 1 Madison Ave., New York 10, N. Y., to have about eight times the protective thickness of paint; to be resilient, elastic and highly resistant to extremes of temperature. Even after long exposure, it

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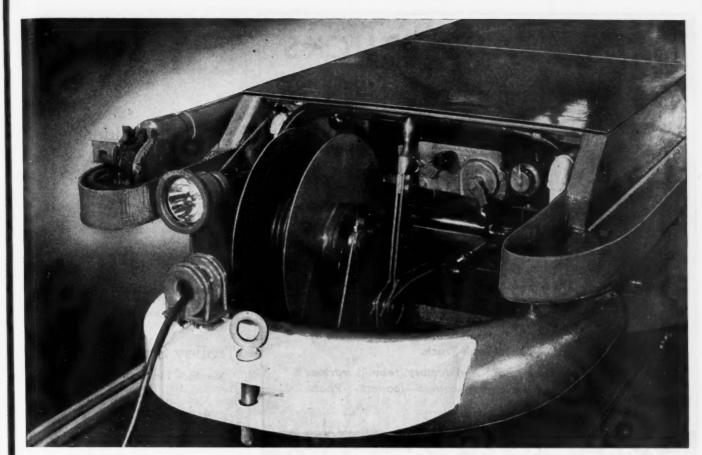
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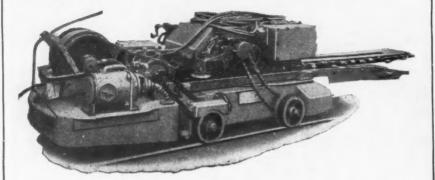
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#### Trolley Safety Tap

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Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis., has made these changes in the sales organization of its Tractor Division: Marshal L. Noel, previously industrial sales manager and long identified with the company's crawler tractor and road machinery sales, has been appointed general sales manager of the Tractor Division; William J. Faulkner, formerly manager of the Tractor Division's Washington (D. C.) office, becomes industrial sales manager. Assistant industrial sales man

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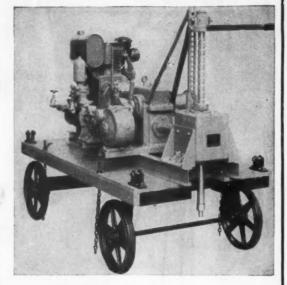
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OLIVER UNITED FILTERS, INC., New York, Chicago and Oakland, Calif., has appointed Leon D. Thompson as export sales manager, with headquarters at 33 West 42d St., New York 18. He has been with the company as a technical filtration engineer for more than 25 years.

Worthington Pump & Machinery Corp. has named Herman J. Schorle as works manager of the Holyoke Works. He succeeds Harry A. Feldbush, who has assumed administrative duties at the general offices in Harrison, N. J. Mr. Schorle formerly was executive engineer at Holyoke and assistant works manager. Assisting him is Willard A. Emery, former superintendent of all welding operations.

WHITING STOKER SALES Co.. 11 South LaSalle St., Chicago 11, has added Lloyd W. Hemingway to its engineering development staff.

HEWITT RUBBER Co., 80 First Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa., has appointed Elliott S. Williams as sales and service representative, working in the Pittsburgh district. He formerly was with the Goodall Rubber Co.

Pettibone Mulliken Corp., Chicago, announces that John Gronlund has joined the organization as director of sales in its construction equipment division. He formerly was connected with the LaPlant-Choate Co. and the Buckeye-Traction Ditcher Co.

WILSON WELDER & METALS Co., Inc., New York, has appointed the Graybar Electric Co. as exclusive distributor of Wilson electrodes in the areas served by Graybar's Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and Cleveland offices.

AMERICAN OPTICAL Co., Scientific Instrument Division, Buffalo, N. Y., hereafter will be the name of the Spencer Lens Co. A booklet, "Three American Microscope Makers," tells the story of the early days in American scientific instrument manufacture.

CUTLER-HAMMER Co., INC., Milwaukee, has named F. R. Bacon as chairman of the board, a position he held from 1924 to 1931; H. F. Vogt, chairman of the executive committee; G. S. Crane, president; H. F. Vogt, vice president and treasurer; J. C. Wilson, vice president and secretary; P. B. Harwood, vice president in charge of engineering; P. S. Jones, vice

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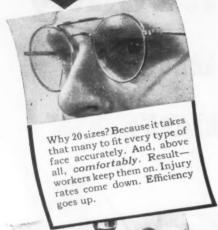
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E. I. DUPONT DENEMOURS & Co., INC., Wilmington, Del., has appointed D. J. Sullivan as assistant plant manager at the Fairfield (Conn.) plant of the fabrics division and has transferred Dr. G. T. Vaala from the chemical department, experimental station, Wilmington, to Fairfield as assistant director of the laboratory.

#### Trade Literature

Rubber Products—Manhattan Rubber Mfg. Div. of Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., Passaic, N. J. Fifth edition of "Manhattan Rubber Products for Industry," condensed catalog of mechanical rubber goods, describes many mechanical rubber products and special items. Particular emphasis is given transmission and conveyor belting, V-belts, hose, packing, molded rubber products, rubber roll coverings, tank linings and abrasive wheels.

Off-Highway Tires—B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio. Booklet on "How to Get the Most Service Out of Your Off-the-Road Tires" describes, with text and pictures, each of the off-the-road lines of tires the company manufactures for specific services. Reasons for particular constructions to meet exacting requirements are explained. Hazards which meet each type of tire are pointed out and methods to avoid them suggested.

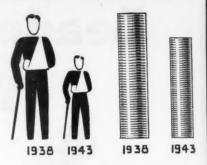
PORTABLE ELECTRIC VULCANIZERS—B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio. Catalog Sec. 2158 describes the special construction features of each of the portable belt vulcanizers in its line, giving service conditions under which each type operates in detail and containing a table giving complete dimensions on each vulcanizer, number and dimensions of platens, widest belt that can be spliced on it and wattage consumed.

Lubrication—Fiske Brothers Refining Co., Newark 3, N. J. Handbook cites as features of Lubriplate that it creates and maintains a minute, wear-resisting, load-bearing film on all contacting moving machine parts that reduces friction, wear and power consumption besides protecting them against rust and corrosion.

ARC WELDING—General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Bulletin GEA-3329 tells how to repair tractor parts by arc welding, which is said to make them last 20 to 100 percent longer than new parts, it being stated that the deposited weld metal is harder and more wear-resistant than the original.

ELECTRODES—Air Reduction, 60 East 42d St., New York 17. Catalog covers entire line of Airco electrodes for welding mild steel, alloy steels, stainless steels, galvanized sheet steel, aluminum and other non-ferrous metals and for hard-facing, with complète descriptions and details of

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applications, welding procedure, mechanical properties, chemical analyses and specifications. Various types of fillet welds made with many of the electrodes cataloged also are illustrated and a combined electrode selector chart and index, illustrated sections on mechanical properties and testing and on approvals.

TRUCK LEASING—National Truck Leasing System, 540 North Michigan Ave., Chicago 11. Bulletin cites the advantage of truck leasing and describes the system's service.

STEELS—Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland, Ohio. Folder Form 434, on low-alloy, high-tensile steels, gives general characteristics, chemical composition and physical properties of Republic Aldecor. Cor-Ten and double-strength steels. These three steels are said to be especially well qualified for the construction, in modern lightweight design, of mobile structures used in transportation, such as railroad and mine cars, trucks and truck bodies, trailers and similar applications.

PULLEYS—Dings Magnetic Separator Co., 509 East Smith St., Milwaukee, Wis. Catalog describes in detail the uses of magnetic pulleys in a variety of industries; tells how to select a magnetic pulley; and includes tables, capacities, dimensions etc. Specifications of air-cooled magnetic pulleys are fully covered and installation pictures are liberally used.

HARD-FACING—Mir-O-Col Alloy Co.. 2416-60 East 53d St., Los Angeles 11. Calif, "Weldors Guide to Successful Hard-Facing" tells what hard-facing is, its uses metals to which it can be applied and its purposes and advantages.

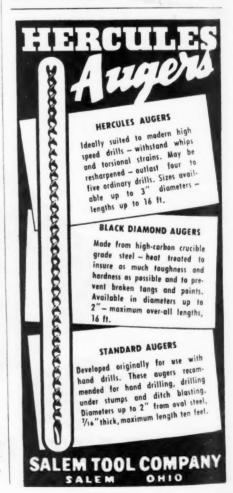
Ball Bearings—New Departure Division General Motors Corp., Bristol, Conn. Part I of a series of treatises on the fundamentals of ball bearings, entitled "Bearing Application," contains 78 drawings and charts with a clear and orderly description, covering among other subjects the most important fundamentals of bearing mounting applicable to all types, preloading methods, their effects on housing fits, the effect of press fits on preloading, the effect of preloading on bearing life, bearing creep, the use of duplex, shield and sealed bearings, etc.

Lubrication—Reliance Electric & Engineering Co., Cleveland. Instruction sheet (No. 3042) covers the grease lubrication of anti-friction bearings in Reliance a.c. and d.c. motors, v.s. drives and m.g. sets. It details construction, maintenance and lubrication recommendations for double-shielded ball, open ball and spherical roller-bearing types.

BIT TIPS—Stoody Co., Whittier, Calif. Folder tells how to keep bits sharp with Borod, explaining how it is applied and the economy of its application.

Lubrication—Standard Oil Co. (Indiana), Chicago. Technical Bulletin 45-1 gives the history of the development of Stanolube HD, an improved heavy-duty motor oil said to be able to tackle successfully the most difficult of automotive, diesel and heavy-duty lubrication.





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Cable Chart—R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., Peoria, Ill. Wall chart, Form N-104, 17x22 in., gives cable requirements for all LeTourneau equipment. It stresses the service angle and gives practical tips on how to get longer service from wire rope.

MAGNETIC SEPARATORS-Eriez Mfg. Co., Erie, Pa. Bulletin 102-A cites eight outstanding advantages of Eriez non-electric permanent magnetic separators in removing tramp iron from any non-metallic material, including coal.

GOGGLE STATION AND SPRAY—Allen Optical Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Bulletin tells what Allen Sani-Spray does and describes the all-metal goggle station designed especially for applying it.

Molded Fabric Bearings — Gatke Corp., 228 North LaSalle St., Chicago 1. Brochure lists unusual performance qualities of Gatke molded fabric bearings and describes advantages in meeting difficult and unusual service conditions. Lists performance reports showing results under widely varying service conditions and illustrates numerous types and sizes in which Gatke bearings are being molded to required dimensions for installation without machining.

INDUSTRIAL RUBBER PRODUCTS-Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio. Catalog gives product information and construction details on all Goodyear standard line industrial rubber products. Quick facts are given about synthetic rubber con-

Tractor—Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill. Catalog Form 8869 decribes the Caterpillar diesel D8 tractor, emphasizing power, effective and efficient use of that power and construction that will do the job with a minimum of time out for repairs. Features of the 113 drawbar horsepower unit and the diesel engine that motivates it are shown, along with views in action on many jobs.

CENTRIFUGAL PUMPS-Denning Co., Salem, Ohio, Booklet contains basic information about various standard types of centrifugal pumps, pointing out that most so-called "pump failures" are due to misapplications caused by unfamiliarity with one or more basic facts about the pumps themselves. To assist those directly involved in the application and selection of centrifugal pumps of all standard types is its purpose.

INDUSTRIAL PACKINGS—Greene, Tweed & Co., Bronx Blvd. at 238th St., New York 66, N. Y. Bulletin P-3, intended as a guide in selecting the most suitable packing for specific fluids, equipment and types of service, gives condensed descriptions of each grade of Palmetto packing, telling their leading features and purposes, with illustrations.

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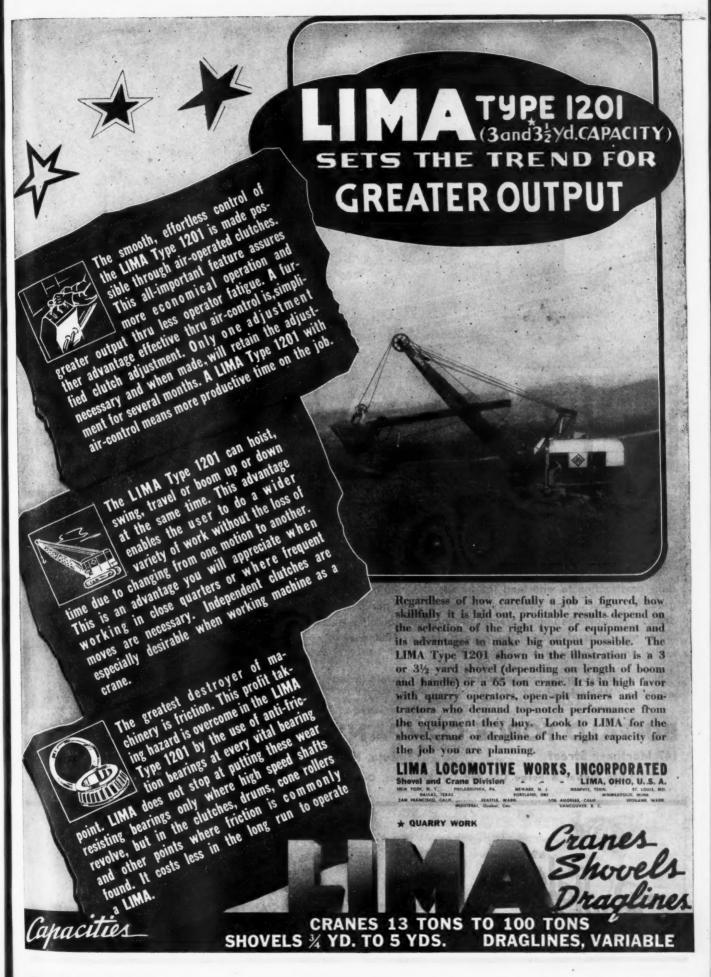
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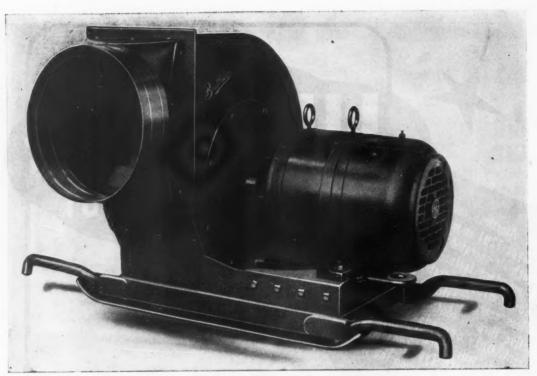
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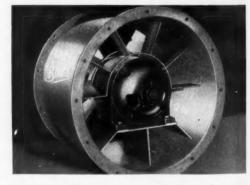
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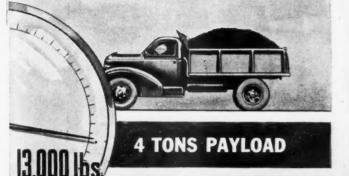


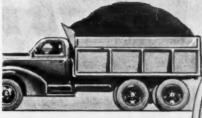
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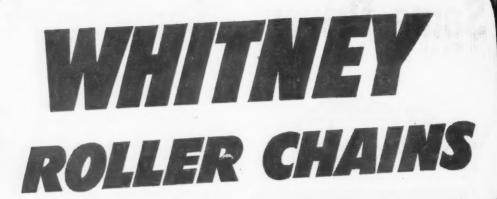
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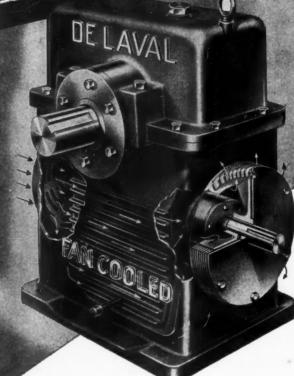
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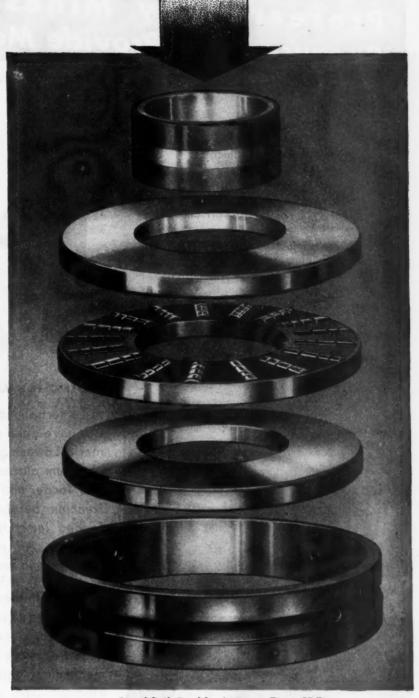
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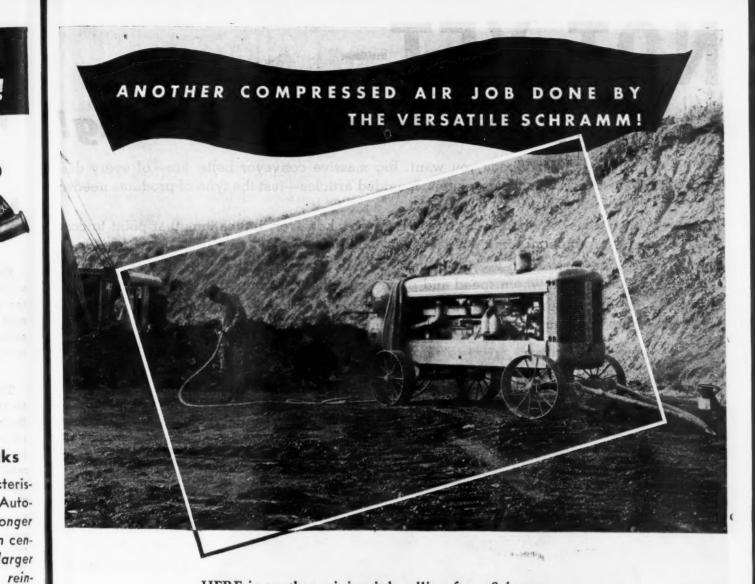
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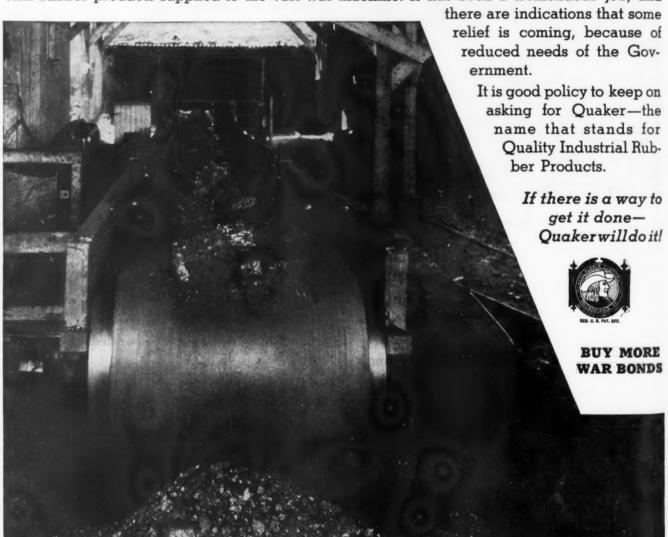
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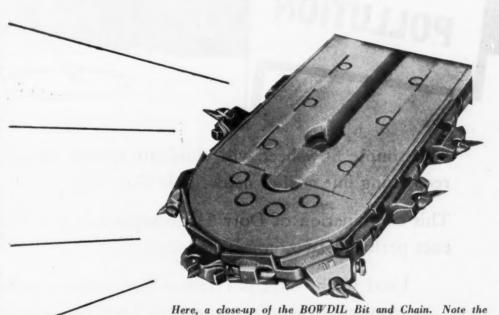
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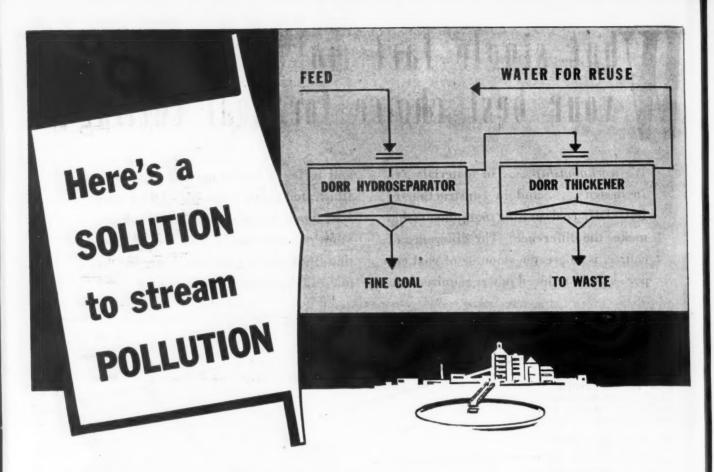


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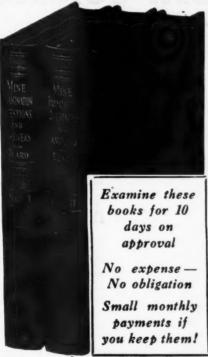
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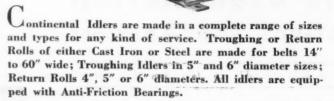
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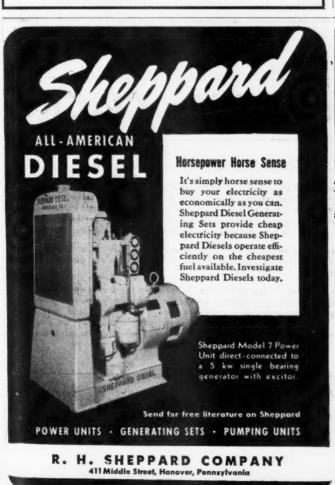
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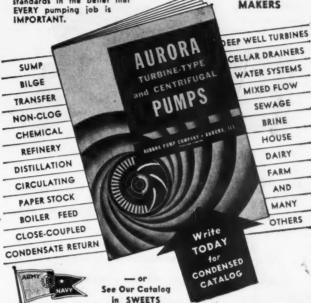
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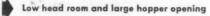
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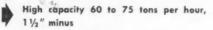
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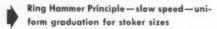
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150	West.	600	S.C.	CCL
150	West.	580	S.R.	CW
125	Al. Ch.	720	S.C.	
100	West.	1750	S.R.	CW
100	G.E.	500	S.R.	MI-25 cy.
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75KW		900	ep. wd.	8
60	West.	1750	cp. wd.	SK
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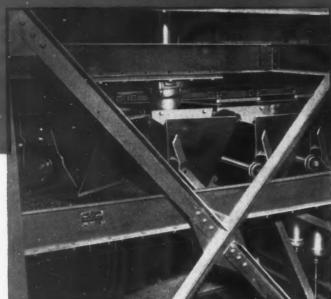
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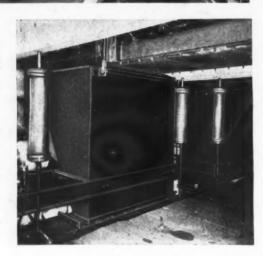
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